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BETHEL, ME.—RUMFORD, ME., THURSDAY, DECEMBER 31, 1908.

\$1.50 IN ADVANCE.

SALVATION ARMY'S WORK OF CHARITY.

The Salvation Army put in a strenuous week and preparing for Christmas trees and dinners for the poor of Rumford. Capt. Jones informs us that everything passed off successfully and many homes were made glad by having a good seasonable dinner.

The baskets which were distributed contained several pounds of meat, potatoes, corn, beans, pork, pies, squash, apples, candy, tea, milk, sugar etc. Besides the baskets, Capt. and Mrs. Jones gave a supper on Christmas night to poor mothers and children. The supper was followed by a Christmas tree and everyone went away happy, thanking the Army for its kindness and thoughtfulness to others.

The hall was decorated for the occasion by Mr. Charles Proctor of Mexico and presented a most cheerful scene. A graphophone and records were loaned by Rolfe & Hanson and music was enjoyed during the evening.

On the following evening another supper and tree were given for the children of the Sunday School which was a great success. The following program was carried out:

Supper at 7:30 p. m.
Phonograph Selections.
Solo, Christ is Born—

Prayer—
Recitation, Santa Claus—
Edna Foster and Beulah Hicks.
Song, Kris Kringle—

Phonograph.
Recitation, By Day or Night—
Ethel Watson.

Recitation, Christmas Cheer—
Carey Ruff.
Phonograph.
Presentation of Toys.

Address—
Recitation, A Prayer—
Recitation, Christmas Carol—

Prayer—
Benediction.
Leonard Mills.

**DON'T FORGET YOUR TRIP
TO BAR HAVEN THIS
EVENING.**

Promises to Be a Winner.

The entertainment to be given Thursday evening in Odeon Hall promises to be a winner. Seldom has as strong a drama as Bar Haven been staged in Bethel by local talent, but those having it in hand have arisen to the requirements and are enjoying a consciousness that their talent is in keeping with the play.

Not in this alone, however, rests the assurance of a crowded hall, for the order for bang up sleighing has been placed for a fortnight, and the moon—well that was an accident, and if accidents are to join hands with carefully arranged plans for success, success is sure to come. The year 1908 will never afford another evening with such good sleighing and such an opportunity for lots of enjoyment. Don't miss your last chance.

SCORED 95 POINTS.

The Maine Dairyman's Association offered various prizes for exhibits at its annual meeting at Dexter, Dec. 8, 9, and 10.

The Bethel Creamery entered under class 4, being creamery tub, 10 pounds. There were 3 prizes, \$8.00, \$6.00, and \$4.00. Class 6 provided a pro rata prize of \$100.00 to be divided among the samples scoring 90 points or over but not winning a prize. While the Bethel Creamery did not win one of the three prizes it did score 95 points and came in for \$8.33 of the pro rata prize. The Bethel Creamery has always stood among the best in the State in the excellence of its product which should be an incentive for farmers to give it loyal support and patronage.

LETTER PARTY, BETHEL.

Mrs. Wilbert Baker, who is confined to the house by illness, was given a surprise letter party, Christmas, gotten up by her mother, Mrs. J. F. Cossidge, with whom she and her husband are boarding this winter. She was happily surprised by receiving through the mail over seventy gifts, consisting of letters with tokens of remembrance enclosed, pictures, and about fifty very handsome Christmas post cards.

Invitations were extended to her many friends and relatives and former neighbors and schoolmates and all responded cheerfully.

CHRISTMAS AT RUMFORD CHURCHES.

Several of the Rumford churches held special services on Christmas day. At St. Barnabas church the Lord's Supper was celebrated at 9 o'clock in the morning and music appropriate to the day was sung by the choir.

At both of the Catholic churches impressive services were held in the morning.

At the church of St. John, St. Hubert's mass by Berge was sung, the solo parts being as follows:

Christie Ellison—
Gloria—
Credo—

Mr. St. Pierre, Miss Bouchard.
Benedictus—
Agnus Dei—

Miss Gauthier, Miss Beliveau.
Miss Gagnon.

Minuit Chretiens, Offertory—
Choir—

Choir—Misses Hattie Poulin, Emma Tremblay, Laura Lacroix, Emma Marcoux, Arthimese Gauthier, Annie Gagnon, Isabelle Bouchard, Jane Gagnon, Marie Michaud, Imelda Beliveau, Messrs. A. Chabot, E. Frazor, Rosalire Nadeau, Oliver Giguere, Felix Landry, Joe Jacques, George St. Pierre and Jos. Langevin. Organist Miss Myrand.

At the church of St. Athanasius, Battmann's mass in F. was sung as follows:

Kyrie Ellison—
Gloria—
Gratia, Solo—

Choir.
Choir.
Mrs. Pippin.

Domine Deus, Solo—Mrs. Ben Armour.
Credo—

Choir.
Gentium, Solo—
Et Incarnatum Est, Duet—

Choir.
Sanctus—
Agnus Dei, Duet—

Choir.
Mrs. Armour, Mrs. Pippin.
Organist—

Mrs. O. J. Gonyea.

**RUMFORD LODGE OF
ELKS DISTRIBUTES
XMAS DINNERS.**

**Thirty Poor Families Re-
membered.**

The members of Rumford Lodge of Elks could think of no better way that they could celebrate Yule Tide than to carry Christmas cheer to the families of the less fortunate in Rumford. At a recent meeting it was decided to distribute baskets containing dinners among those who might otherwise be scantily fed, and a committee was accordingly appointed.

The committee which consisted of Messrs. George Locke, James McMenamin, A. A. Hall, Bert Bean and Cliff Hawley set about to ascertain who to supply with the baskets. The local clergymen, doctors and others were consulted and at least thirty families were found.

Thursday afternoon the baskets were distributed and many homes made happy with the kind remembrances.

**NEW YEAR'S DAY A LEGAL
BANK HOLIDAY.**

Banks Not open for Business on That Day.

New Year's Day being a legal Bank Holiday on which all banks are closed for the day, attention is called to the fact that both the Savings Bank and the Bethel National Bank will not be open for business on that day. This notice is given in order that depositors may make their usual deposits on Thursday, if desired.

**RUMFORD MUNICIPAL
COURT.**

Emile Perry was before the court Thursday on the charge of search and seizure, Deputy Sheriff Elliott having found a quart bottle full of whiskey at his place on Canal St. Perry was sentenced to 60 days in jail and a fine of \$100 and costs. He appealed.

Eva Julliewicz was arrested Friday night on a search and seizure charge. The case was continued for one week.

In the case of Joe Bill vs Augustin Roy which was brought about because Roy claimed that Joe had taken wood which belonged to him, the Judge ordered Joe to pay the sum of \$4.00.

CHRISTMAS AT M. E. CHURCH, BETHEL.

The Christmas festivities of the M. E. church began with a supper for the children and friends of the society at I. O. O. F. hall Thursday at 6 p. m. and the Christmas trees in the evening.

Mrs. D. G. Lovejoy was at the head of the supper committee and was assisted by a corps of ready and efficient helpers, and it certainly was a feast.

The tables were loaded with cold meats, roast chicken, mashed potato, baked beans, bread, pies, cakes etc. One table taking up the entire length of the room was occupied by the children alone and a goodly number of older people filled up several other tables. An exceedingly pleasant social time was enjoyed.

Four handsome trees had been procured by Mr. Springer, who had that matter in charge. Two were placed on each platform in the large windows and prettily decorated under his direction.

The presents were arranged on and about these trees and at 7:30 o'clock they were distributed. Mr. Arne and Mr. Lovejoy calling off the names, several of the young ladies taking the articles from the trees and some of the primary girls and boys carrying them to their owners. Noticeable among the presents were three handsome rockers presented to Mr. and Mrs. Banghart by the church, a beautiful copy of St. Cecilia given to the organist, Miss Elsie Davis, by the church, and a handsome picture from the New Movement S. S. Class for its teacher, Mr. Springer.

Sunday morning special music was given by the choir and an excellent sermon delivered by Mr. Banghart. The anthem was very stirring and the selection by the quartette was finely given. Mrs. Banghart's solo was beautiful and could but be an inspiration to all who listened.

On Sunday evening it was impossible for all of the audience to find seats, who crowded the church to hear the Christmas concert, although the vestry was thrown open to be used. It was certainly a most excellent concert, Mrs. Banghart having charge of the music and Mrs. Frank Kendall the remainder of the concert.

The decorations were simple but pleasing. We think a few of the numbers deserve special mention, among them being the recitations by the three youngest participants in the entertainment, Eunice Smith, Ethel Capen and Gerd Herrick. The efforts of these little ones seemed to be fully appreciated by the audience. The solo and chorus by a little boy of the primary class assisted by the rest of the class was very cute. There were also several well rendered solos by girls of Mrs. Durrell's class. The chorus music was excellent. An innovation for the M. E. society was a male chorus, whose selection was much enjoyed. Mr. John Anderson sang a difficult solo which was fully appreciated. The crowning feature of the evening was the beautiful trio by Mrs. Foster, Miss Andrews and Mrs. Banghart. It was certainly a rare musical treat.

**OF INTEREST TO OX-
FORD COUNTY FRUIT
GROWERS.**

A case of vital interest to apple growers of Oxford and Cumberland counties and for all Maine apple growers as well, is being heard in the United States Dist. Court, Judge Clarence Hale presiding in the suit of the Cummings Dresser Co. et Portland against the Grand Sheep Fruit Co. of St. Louis, involving about \$2,000 which the plaintiffs claim as a result of the refusal of the defendant company in carrying out their contract to take 7,000 barrels of apples in 1907 at \$2.50 a barrel from West Paris, Bethel, South Paris, Norway and other points along the line of the Grand Trunk.

A certain quality was stipulated and Mr. Gerhart, the agent of the defendant company rejected 1,500 barrels of apples claiming that they were either frozen or showed traces of decomposition. The plaintiffs claim that the rejection of the 1,500 was not based on the quality, insisting that the agreement be carried out and that they recover the amount of the loss sustained.

There were a dozen interviewed from Oxford and Cumberland counties, men who had furnished the apples, who testified to the good quality of apples supplied under the contract and Mr. Cummings of the wholesale firm

RUMFORD FIRE DE- PARTMENT BANQUET.

**Social Gathering of Mem-
bers on Christmas Night.**

One of the most enjoyable occasions of Christmas time was the supper at Stoddard's restaurant Friday evening for the members of the Rumford Fire Department. Thirty-one plates were laid and the menu was a very fine one, consisting of turkey, chicken and 'all the fixins.' It took some time before the inner man was 'fully satisfied' but after the last course had been served speeches were listened to until late in the evening. Walter Chadwick was toast master for the evening.

Among the speakers were Chief Carroll, Asst. Chief W. G. Morse, Wm. Thatcher, Capt. of the Company, James Moore and John Darrach. During the evening a vote of thanks was extended to Officers Brooks and Roach together with the citizens who so kindly assisted the men at the fire when the Sanders buildings were burned.

On Sunday, as one of the members of the company had been presented with a goose, fourteen of the fellow members joined with him at a fine dinner at the fire station. The dinner was prepared by Mr. Stoddard and carried to the fire station, where it was served.

testified at length to the fact of their firm's readiness to ship the apples and that he had twice before suit was brought, notified the St. Louis firm that the apples were awaiting shipment to them and that neither his firm nor the grower had violated any part of the contract entered into.

Judge Enoch Foster and Attorney James S. Wight of South Paris, represent the plaintiffs, and Hon. Oscar H. Morsey and Wm. Bradley, the defendant company.

The trend of the presentation is that the reason why the apple buying company refused the 1,500 barrels is that the price went down. The company then tried to squeeze the growers on the plea that the apples were not up to the contract.

Oxford County apple growers had been so much "trimmed" in recent years upon one phase of defense and another that it had become time to have a ruling of the high court on this most important question to Maine apple growers.

They had received bogus checks and had suffered by shippers in the apple business until it was high time that some legal definition of relative rights be put by the courts.

This in substance was the bill of question by the plaintiffs attorneys. The decision will be awaited with great interest throughout Maine.

The question is one that concerns the apple growers of Oxford County in the fact that it is annually invaded by buyers who subject the growers to legal defenses. The ruling in the present case will be of hopeful or direful interest to all apple growers.

The King's English.

Englishman—I say, ye know, what's the bookage to Boston?

Railroad Ticket Clerk—The what-ago?

Englishman—The bookage, ye know—the tariff. What's the tariff?

Ticket Clerk—I haven't time to talk politics.—N. Y. Weekly.

Evidence of Increasing Moles.

"When Brinsford got \$5,000,000 his family began to yearn to break into New York society. Chicago and become too 'crass' for them."

"The old man must have kept on getting more and more. I hear that his wife and daughter are sick of New York and want to live in England now."—Chicago Record-Herald.

NORTH LOVELL.

Mr. and Mrs. Dana Wilson and son Leeland, went to Norway Saturday for a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. V. J. Gamman took dinner at Frank Chandler's Monday.

M. E. Allen and son Theodore went to Bethel Friday, returning home Sunday.

There will be an antiquarian dance and supper at the Grange Hall, Dec. 31, to dance the old year out and the new year in. Supper from 6 to 7:30 o'clock.

Miss Edna Douglas of Fryeburg is spending the winter with her sister, Mrs. Ethel Wilson.

Stephen McAllister visited at Parry McKee's, Sunday.

CHILDREN'S CANTATA AT RUMFORD M. E. CHURCH.

Christmas eve was appropriately observed at the Methodist church in Rumford last Thursday, when the cantata "Santa's Surprise Party" was presented by the members of the Sunday School. The church was well filled and the entertainment a most delightful one, the children having all taken their parts to perfection. A feature of the entertainment was the music by the boys' orchestra which was very much enjoyed.

The music for the cantata was very bright and catchy. The parts with the exception of Santa and his wife were taken by the small children, there being twenty-eight in all. The costumes for the brownies were made by Mrs. Young and Mrs. Reed and the dainty costumes worn by the fairies were made by Mrs. Payne.

At the conclusion of the cantata the doors to the vestry were thrown open and a handsome Christmas tree exhibited. The children formed in line and as they marched about the tree were presented with bags of pop corn, candy and oranges.

The committee for arrangements consisted of the following: Miss Elizabeth Pettengill, Mesdames Payne, Douglas, Young, Lapham, French, Reed and Ames. The thanks of the committee are due to all who so kindly assisted in making the cantata a success.

**CHRISTMAS EXERCISES AT
BAPTIST CHURCH, MEXICO.**

Christmas eve was an occasion of joy for all the older as well as the younger members of the Baptist S. S.

On entering the church everyone remarked on the beauty of the decorations and the tree. Heavy festooning of green, red and white extended from the corner of the church and was caught up at the center chandelier, and over the alcove and platform by beautiful large red Christmas bells. Christmas mottoes, floral wreaths and flowers completed the decorations which reflected great credit on Mrs. Reuben Vaughn, the chairman of the decorating committee. The tree extending to the very top of the church and spreading its branches far and wide, sparkling with beauty was so heavily loaded with beautiful and costly gifts for everybody that tables and the floor had to be cleared and then Santa Claus had to bring more, in a suit case with him. He had changed somewhat in his appearance from last year so that the children hardly knew him but they were none the less glad to see him. Everybody was remembered, even the pastor receiving a beautiful fur collar and the pastor's wife several nice gifts. The concert and entertainment given by the choir and school was exceedingly fine and reflects great credit on Mrs. M. S. Howe and Mrs. F. A. Perkins who had it in charge as well as all who participated, for in all the 44 parts, there was not a single failure and a large number of the little folks took parts for the first time. All pronounced the exercise a great success.

**HOW BIRDS PRESERVE THE
TREES.**

Now and then some enterprising newspaper man expatiating on the work of the Audubon Societies dines up some undertaking of the National Association or makes extraordinary claims in respect to the usefulness of birds. Then some "doubting Thomas" very properly discounts the tale and even expresses doubt as to whether the birds are, after all, so necessary to a man's welfare as the protectionists would have us believe. But the practical beneficial results of the work of the birds have now been so long observed and so conclusively proven that there is no longer any room for doubt regarding their usefulness. Destruction of trees and crops always follow extreme depletion of the numbers of the smaller native birds. Moreover conservation of birds produces the opposite effect.

In 1894 I made experiments to attract birds into an old orchard in Medford, Mass. Food and nesting boxes brought the birds to the orchard in considerable numbers. The succeeding summer apple tree insects such as canker worms and the tent caterpillars were very abundant and stripped the foliage from most of the apple trees in the town, but mine remained in good foliage and bore almost the only full crop of fruit in town that year.

The results of this work are that the estates of the Baron von Berlepsch are very free from insect injury when others suffer. In 1905 the woods in the country round about were stripped of caterpillars of Tortrix viridana. The wood of von Berlepsch was untouched and stood out among the surrounding woods like a green oasis. At a distance of a mile from it the first traces of plague were apparent and a quarter of a mile farther on it appeared in full force. This is just about the distance that small birds carry food to their young. The Prussian Government foresters have now adopted similar measures with like results. And the National Association of Audubon Societies is now introducing into this country for experimental purposes some very successful, scientifically constructed nesting boxes and feeding appliances now in use by Baron von Berlepsch with the expectation of producing similar results here.

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THE PANIC IN AFRICA.

In the jungle deep where the were wolves creep.

And the pterodactyl nest.

Where is built the lair of the untamed bear.

There's a sort of vague unrest;

For the news has blown from the New's throne.

To the haunt of the crocodile,

That a dead-games sport—Theodore Swabber.

Will arrive in a little while.

In the tumble cot of the hippopotamus

Amos there is deepest gloom:

And the better half of the tall giraffe

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Will take each beast and bird!

And their dying yaws will not swell the

crop

Of farms at a dollar a word!

—Well, Theodore!

WANT COLUMN.

Put your Want and Sale notices here and they will be read in 3,000 Oxford County homes—4 lines 1 week, 25c. 5 weeks, 50c.

HYGIENE FACIAL AND SCALP
Treatment. Manicuring, hair dressing, singeing, shampooing, electrolysis and chiropody. Miss Evelyn Berry, Hall Block, Rumford, Me. Graduate of Dr. Parker, Pray System.

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FOR SALE—Hard wood, green and dry. Hastings Bros., Bethel.

FOR SALE—On pair of horses, weighing 2500, good workers and good drivers, six and seven years old. Also two sets of two horse sleds. Call or inquire of F. L. CHAPMAN.

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TO LET—Two hundred cords of dovetail timber to be cut and hauled. Inquire at once of H. S. Hastings, Newry, Me.

Details of this experiment are given in a bulletin entitled "Birds as Protectors of Orchards," which is published and distributed free by the Massachusetts State Board of Agriculture. Similar experiments year after year have demonstrated clearly the dollars-and-cents value of the birds in orchard and woodland. But while my observations were under way the German Baron Hans von Berlepsch was carrying out, unknown to me, a number of more extensive and painstaking experiments in bird conservation on his great estate at Seebich. His secured results there far more striking than my modest efforts produced here. He studied the methods of attracting and feeding birds and those of constructing nesting boxes and preparing bird shelters. He carried out the game preserve principle with birds until he had breeding on his home park of 12 acres about 1,000 small birds, two pairs of wild ducks, one pair of Moor hens and one of geese. Three hundred nesting boxes hung up in his grounds are all inhabited by birds. In his 400 acres of woodland there are two thousand nesting boxes and everywhere shrubbery is so trimmed as to make dense and safe nesting places for the birds while the enemies of birds are destroyed by the keeper of the estate.

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Right.
Ledgers,
Books,
Receipts, etc.,
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SPRUCE GUM, Right from the Maine Woods.

The finest lot of gum you ever saw.
Try an ounce for 20c.

H. S. PUSHARD,
Prescription Druggist,
BETHEL, MAINE.

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Blank Books for the
New Year, such as
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Small Pocket Account
Books,
Time Books,
Rulers,
Erasers,
Pens,
Inks,
Receipt Books,
Blank Notes,
also
Diaries and Almanacs.
We can supply You.
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Druggist,
Bethel, Maine.

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When you are troubled with your
eyes. Have your eyes examined by
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Come Here Consult Me.
Norway, Maine.

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GROVER HILL.

The young people of this place at
tended the Christmas exercises at the
church in Mason, Friday evening.
Miss Gwendolyn Stearns enjoyed a
holiday recess of a few days last week.
Ed Stearns and daughter Edith, were
at N. A. Stearns' Saturday.
Maurice Tyler was the recipient of
a nice driving harness, a Christmas
gift from his father-in-law, Mr. Fred
and Bennett.
True Brown was at his home here
last week.
The Pines who have employment
with Lyman Wheeler on the A. B.
Covey farm, enjoyed their Christmas
vacation with friends at West Paris.
Fred Mundt was at home a few days
last week.

NEWRY.

Quite a number went from this
place to North Newry last Friday eve-
ning to attend the Christmas entertain-
ment.
H. B. Powers is hauling logs to W.
W. Kilgore's mill.
Mr. and Mrs. Henry Learned and
baby spent Christmas at H. S. Has-
tings.

CANTORIA.

WEST BETHEL.

The Local Happenings as Told By Our Special Reporter.

E. J. Bell is at work for William
Chapman.
Mrs. E. J. Bell and her daughter,
Mrs. W. W. Goodridge have returned
from a visit in Portland and Yarmouth.
Miss Vivian Rollins has finished her
work for Whitten and Dennison and
has gone to Lewiston, where she has
a position.
All the girls who work in the Post
Card Shop have gone home for the
Christmas holidays.
Joseph Wener of Berlin was in this
village last Wednesday on his way to
the Lakes.
Miss Grace Gale has gone to her
home in Newburyport, Mass., for her
vacation. Her little niece, Avon
Brown, accompanied her.
Bertha Donahue and Dora Gaudier
were at their home in Berlin over Sun-
day.
Hugh Milliken and Miss Nellie Co-
burn are passing the holidays at Mr.
Milliken's home in Biddeford, Me.
Mrs. Geo. Goodnow has been visit-
ing her son, Frank Goodnow in Shel-
burne, N. H., for a few days.
George Bennett was at home Christ-
mas.
John Rollins is visiting his daughter,
Mrs. Flora Davis in Waterford, for a
few days.
Miss Blanche Farwell has finished
her work for the Whitten and Denni-
son Co. and returned to her home in
Harrison.
Mrs. Clara Abbott and two sons,
spent Sunday with her parents, Daniel
Morrill and wife.
Warren Martin of Harrison was in
this village last Saturday.
Walter Dennison and family of So.
Paris spent Christmas with H. P. Dun-
nison and wife.
A number went to Mason last Wed-
nesday night to the Christmas tree.
W. W. Goodridge is harvesting his
ice.
Charlie Scribner of Harrison was in
town last week.
Miss Ethel Allen of Brookline, Mass.,
spent the holidays with her parents, L.
E. Allen and wife.
We are sorry to learn that one of
Frank Goodnow's little girls is stricken
with typhoid fever.
Mrs. Lilla Skilling and daughter,
Edna, came up from Portland last Thurs-
day for a few days.
Miss Bertha Donahue has an abscess
on her finger which requires the atten-
tion of a doctor.
Wesley Dennis and wife were in
Bethel one day last week.
Henry Cross is visiting friends at
Mechanic Falls.
Will Griffin and his daughter, Mrs.
Wesley Dennis, attended the funeral of
Jason Heath at Gilead, Sunday.
Hazen Lowell was at home over Sun-
day.
Edward Mason went to Albany Sun-
day.
Orland Mason has moved his family
from Rumford into Mrs. L. E. Bean's
rent opposite the post office.
Michael Vashaw's family were burn-
ed out last week. Everything they had
at Roxbury was lost. Fortunately they
did not take all their furniture as they
expected to return in the spring.

How's This?
Weather One Hundred Dollars Reward for
any case of Catarrh that cannot be cured by
HALL'S CATARRH CURE.

F. J. CHENEY & CO., Props., Toledo, O.
We the undersigned, have known F. J. Che-
ney for the last 15 years, and believe him per-
fectly honorable in all business transactions
and financially able to carry out any obli-
gations made by their firm.

WATERBURY, Wholesale Druggists, Toledo, O.
WALSH, Wholesale Druggists, Toledo, O.
HALL'S CATARRH CURE is taken internally, acting
directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of
the system. Price, 75c. per bottle. Sold by all
Druggists. Beware of cheap imitations.

Do You Know the Difference?
"Katie, do you know the difference
on this beef?"
"Sure I do, ma'am."
"He told me today he had taken un-
dermining."

"And, sure, what had the Italian
been doing, ma'am?"

PROBATE NOTICES.
To all persons interested in either of
the Estates hereinafter named:

At a Probate Court, held at Paris, in
and for the County of Oxford, on the
third Tuesday of December, in the year
of our Lord one thousand nine hundred
and eight. The following matter hav-
ing been presented for the action there-
upon hereinafter indicated, it is hereby
Ordered:

That notice thereof be given to all
persons interested, by causing a copy
of this order to be published three
weeks successively in the Oxford
County Citizen newspaper published at
Bethel, in said County, that they may
appear at a Probate Court to be held
at said Paris, on the third Tuesday of
January, A. D. 1909, at 9 o'clock in the
forenoon, and be heard thereon if
they see cause.

Thomas O. Jordan late of Albany, de-
ceased; will and petition for probate
thereof presented by Amos G. Bran, the
executor therein named.

Sarah J. Robinson late of Andover,
deceased; will and petition for probate
thereof presented by William H. Robin-
son, the executor therein named.

Edman L. Blake late of Bethel, de-
ceased; petition for license to sell and
convey real estate presented by Fred
F. Bean, administrator.

Herbert W. Cummings late of Bethel,
deceased; petition for license to sell
and convey real estate presented by
Frank Cummings, administrator.

Helen L. Heath late of Bethel, de-
ceased; first and final accounts pre-
sented for allowance by Annie L. Heath,
administratrix.

Mary J. Thurston late of Bethel, de-
ceased; first account presented for al-
lowance by Jacob A. Thurston, execu-
tor.

Annie E. Cummings late of Bethel,
deceased; petition that Frank Cum-
mings or some other suitable person be
appointed as administrator of said es-
tate presented by Horatio M. Upton
and William O. Straw, selectmen of the
town of Bethel.

ADDISON E. HERRICK,
Judge of said Court.
A true copy attested:
ALBERT D. PARK, Register.
12 24 8.

NOTICE.
The subscriber hereby gives notice
that he has been duly appointed ex-
ecutor of the last will and testament of
Sephron Wright late of Gilead in the
County of Oxford deceased. All persons
having demands against the estate of said
deceased are desired to present the same
for settlement, and all indebted thereto
are requested to make payment im-
mediately.

ALBERT D. WRIGHT,
December 18th, 1908.

FRYEBURG.

The usual number of Christmas din-
ner parties were observed in Frye-
burg, Friday the 25th.

Dr. Seth C. Gordon, his sister, Mrs.
Hannah McKenney and his niece, Miss
Annie Gordon of Portland were guests
of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Gordon, Christ-
mas day.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Gould are again
in Fryeburg for the winter.

B. N. Stone is on the sick list. Mr.
Stone will soon go to Boston for treat-
ment.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Billings are
at home for the holidays.

The following students are at home:
Hugh Hastings, Paul Newman from
Bowdoin; Edna Eastman, Leona Atkin-
son from Simmons; Benjamin Warren,
Ellis McKenney from U. of M.

The State Inspector, who visited
Grover Circle No. 11, G. A. R. last
week said he had never seen the work
better exemplified and more impressive,
which was very complimentary to the
setting president, Mrs. Wallace R. Tar-
box.

The home of Mr. Chas. Page, East
Conway, came very near being burned
recently from a fire around the chim-
ney.

Mr. Geo. Shirley is at Mr. Charles
Harrison's on Portland street.

Dr. Atkinson starts away to look
up a business center to locate in next
week.

Herbert Hodsdon and family are in
Ossipee Center for the holidays at the
home of Mr. Arthur Hodsdon.

Miss Josephine Adams is at home
from Boston for a few days. She is
with her mother, Mrs. Maria Adams,
Main St.

FOR CANDIED ORANGE PEEL.
Delicacy That May Very Easily Be
Made at Home.

This is so nice to use with mince
meat or in fruit puddings, and it can
be made at home so reasonably that
it will pay the housewife if she has
time to prepare it now. Cut oranges
in half and scoop out all the pulp;
or if the rinds of peeled oranges are
to be used, keep in as good shape
as possible. Put the rinds into a
basin, cover with lightly salted water,
and let them soak for a week. At
the end of that time drain and put in
a stew pan containing a thin sirup
made with two pounds of sugar to
every two quarts of water. Boil half
an hour. In another sauce pan have
a sirup made from two pounds of
sugar and a cup of water, and cook
over the fire until a thick sirup. Put
the rinds into this thick sirup and
cook until the sugar candies on them.
Take out, put on a sieve and on a
platter to save all the sirup that
might drip, and dry in a coolish oven.
When quite dry put in wide mouthed
bottles or glass cans and fasten se-
curely.

Child's Bib.
An excellent way for making chil-
dren's bibs, and one that fully an-
swers the purpose, is made by using
the regular croch pattern, cutting the
back deep enough so that a narrow
piece of the goods comes under the
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in front, cut the material as long as
the child's dress, rounding the goods
at the side if you prefer. Join the
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served strawberries, a small can of
shredded pineapple and a bottle of
cherries. Mix the fruit and the sirup
well. Into the punch bowl from which
it is to be served, put a large block of
ice and then add the mixed fruit. Now
open two bottles of ginger ale and
pour into it, then two or three large
bottles of apollinaris water. Mix well
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Cheese Straws.
Chop two tablespoons of butter into
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of cayenne, one-half teaspoon salt.
Roll and fold in one cup grated
cheese. Wet with cold water to a stiff
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one-quarter inch wide by six inches
long and bake until brown. When cold
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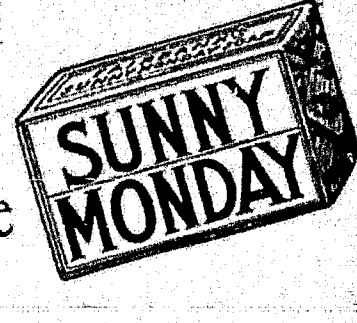
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peared before the king in his jester's
suit.

"What!" said the king. "Not dressed
for the wedding yet?"
"Oh, yes, your excellency!"
"But you don't mean to say you are
to be married in a fool's suit?"
"What better costume could a man
wear on his wedding day, your excel-
lency?"—Yonkers Statesman.

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solable young widow)—The last time
I met your dear husband he stopped
and spoke to me with such a funny
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all day long.

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everything except her loss)—Yes, that
was just like dear David. There was
no woman so humble, or homely, or
unattractive, or dull, but that he could
find something pleasant to say to her,
and would take pains to say it.—Royal
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"Do you play any instrument, Mr.
Jimp?"
"Yes, I'm a cornettist."
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"She's a pianist."
"Does your mother play?"
"She's a sitherist."
"And your father?"
"He's a penitentiary."—Tit-Bits.

Strange Historical Fact.

"My boy, all women are alike. Don't
trust any one of them."
"But father, things are different
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are as old as I am, you will find that
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THE HOME CIRCLE.

Pleasant Reveries—A Column Dedicated to Tired Mothers
as they Join the Home Circle at Evening Tide.

Editor's Note.—It is our desire to make this department one of the most in-
teresting and valuable features of the whole paper. To this end we ask the as-
sistance of our readers. Choice verse and gems of thought will be gladly re-
ceived. Here are our thanks for anything that our friends have sent or may send.

He came to my desk with a quivering
lip—
The lesson was done.
"Dear teacher, I want a new leaf," he
said.
"I have spoiled this one."
In place of the leaf so stained and
blotted
I gave him a new one all unspotted
And into his sad eyes smiled,
"Do better now, my child."

I went to the throne with a quivering
soul—
The old year was done.
"Dear Father, hast thou a new leaf
for me?"
I have spoiled this one."
He took the old leaf, stained and blot-
ted,
And gave me a new one all un-
spotted
And into my sad heart smiled,
"Do better now, my child."

Forward.
"The year lies white in the distance,
Like snow that no step has marred,
And we look at its shining surface
As though through a window barred.
And we wonder what idle footsteps
Shall trample the fallen snow,
Just as we watched and wondered
A year ago.
"Since then so many footsteps
Have fallen and stumbled past,
That the white perfection of promise
Grew scattered and dark at last;
But the new drifts lie on the pathway
To cover the blackened snow,
And the New Year comes in its beauty,
As it came a year ago."

New Year Reveries.
If you find it so difficult to keep your
New Year's resolutions perhaps it
would be a good idea to make a few
bad ones this time, for a change. For
instance, you might resolve to be cross
to your wife (if you have one) every
day during the year, and then give
her gentle words and loving kisses
instead. You can thus be consistent
with your past record, and possibly
be a better man when another year
rolls around.
A new year is here. It is a time for
invoice. Business men take an in-
voice of their stock. Wouldn't it be
business for you to take one of your
self. Life, each life, is a business.
Have you gained or lost last year?
Have you used the talents that have
been given you so as to gain other tal-
ents. Is there any prospect of your
being placed over ten cities or five
cities or one city? Have you declared
any dividends in the way of loving and
helping others, and have you added
anything to the capital stock of your
character. These are pertinent ques-
tions that press us all for an answer.
Let the result of the self invoice be a
spur to us in living the coming year,
or a cause for great congratulations
as we review the past and go forth to
build "more stately mansions" for the
future.

Though times and seasons are not
as important as many would have us
think, still nearly every thoughtful
person at the coming new year remem-
bers how old he is and wishes he were
not quite so old. Let us turn our
minds away from the tabernacle of
death, the least real thing in our lives,
and think a little of the inward grow-
ing old. For the body every child
growth is almost incalculable gain.
How old are we? How much older
than a year, two years, ten years ago?
How much quicker to recognize the
divine voice? How much stronger our
hand and clearer our voice against
evil? How much swifter our feet to
hear the message of good will to men?
How much gain has there been in
power and willingness to serve? How
much more faithful are we in the chaos
of small and common duties and rarest
flow much truer are we in friendship,
warmer in the home loves, more pa-
tient with the mistakes and the bad?

Two primal delights in devotion of
the good resolutions which mark the
celebration of New Year is the minds
of many people. Hence upon the man
or woman who would dull the bright
ambition and desire for the better of
any human being! But there is little
time to give to habitual sinners and
angers of evil. The new year will be
what we make it, as far as our indi-
vidual lives are concerned, and the
man or woman who resolves to be

happy in a healthful, unselfish way,
is taking the first road toward hap-
piness.
We are all after happiness, in one
way or another. Even the recluse,
even the martyr of old, were on the
endless search for happiness, though
the joy of heaven rather than that of
earth was the goal fixed upon in the
eyes of those who sacrificed the pres-
ent for the future. Eternal happiness
was what they desired. Unselfish
happiness is always waiting right
around the corner if we will only take
our eyes off the far distance and look
nearer home. The resolve to make
next year a happy one for those near-
est us will bring a good deal of real
joy and satisfaction to the maker of
the resolution, if he holds out well.

The first of January is the initial
day of the year, and as such is hon-
ored by a multitude of observances,
chief among which are the New Year
calling customs, the interchange of
gifts, the cordial greeting, "A Happy
New Year," and the demonstrations
attendant upon the contemplative habit
of seeing the old year out and the new
year in. There are two great reasons
why the time should be, if not cheer-
ful at least tranquil. If the old year
has brought sorrow and desolation,
and hung craps on our doors, the new
year will bring us the leaves of heal-
ing, and we are glad to part with the
one and welcome the other. If, on the
contrary, the old year has brought us
only joy and comfort, we part from
him sorrowfully, but meet his succe-
sor with the ardent hope that he, too,
comes with blessing. The sober jollity
on New Year's day is always of an
impressive nature. It is like standing
for one brief moment on the threshold
between time and eternity. Here is
the world we know—yonder the world
that is new and untired.

Another year is drawing to a close.
Another millennium of life is in view
and we shall, in all human proba-
bility, pass it and struggle on to the
next. As we sit at our desk and pen
this short epistle to the young, we
wonder if anything we may write will
cause them to think more seriously of
all life means to them and the brief
period that is given them to improve it.
The boy makes the man, the girl the
woman. My boy, how do you want to
be remembered by the people after you
are gone? as a Lincoln or as a Booth?
My girl, what position do you wish to
occupy in the hearts of the people with
whom you have lived? You are the
moulders of your own destinies. You
can make them what you will. It rests
with you whether your name shall go
down in history honored or cursed, or
whether it shall pass into oblivion as
soon as the earth has hidden your
mortal remains. Now is the time to
choose. There are only two roads to
travel: one leads to happiness and hon-
or, the other to sorrow or degradation.
We suppose you want to travel the first
mentioned. Are you doing it? As the
apprentice works at his task and each
succeeding day turns out work more
perfect than the preceding one, so
should we make each succeeding year
of our lives more perfect. Are we do-
ing this? Do we take time during the
hurry and bustle of the holiday season
to review our work of the year and see
wherein we have made mistakes, blot-
ting them down in our memory as to
be avoided in the future? That boy
would never have become a perfect
workman if he did not set aside the mis-
takes of yesterday. We must never
make the same mistake twice, and in
order to guard against doing so, we
must look back and find the mistakes
we have made. Will you do this, boys
and girls? Will you rest from your
play and jollity for just a little season
between now and January 1, 1909, and
recall those indiscreet words, whose cas-
sity actions that will prove stumbling
blocks in the way of your becoming
strong, helpful men and women. Lon-
ged and loved by all for your noble
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WHEAT AND TARES

If a sin couldn't make itself look as
though it had just stepped out of para-
dise the road to destruction wouldn't
be so crowded.

Many a man falls to get ahead be-
cause he has the backward glance habit.

Be strong and of good courage.

The only thing a lazy map can do
successfully is nothing.

The surprising part of a surprise
party is that fact that the surprised
party is seldom surprised.

There is no use of life; but just to
find out what is fit for us to do; and,
doing it, it seems to be little matter
whether we live or die in it. God
does not want our work, but our will-
ingness to work.—Hawthorne.

We would all rather profit by the
mistakes of others than by our own.

Happy is the house that shelters a
friend.—Emerson.

You may have observed that the man
who boasts that he can drink or let it
alone usually drinks.

It is impossible for that man to de-
spair who remembers that his Helper
is omnipotent, and can do what He
pleases. Let us rest there awhile.—
Jeremy Taylor.

Give some men their pick and they'll
pick flaws every time.

You'll do the right thing if you stop
growing about an imaginary wrong.

Faith finds its fullness in friend-
ships.

A Word of Wisdom.
People are always happier for hav-
ing been happy; if you make them
happy now you make them happy 20
years hence by the memory of it.—Sid-
ney Smith.

Daily Proverb.
If you wish to reach the highest,
begin at the lowest.—From the Jap-
anese.

Ever Noticed This?
However, it is to be noted that the
man who thinks he knows it all, only
thinks it. He doesn't know it.

Quality of Leadership.
One man in ten leads. The nine fol-
low. The one leads because he not
only knows how to work, but primarily
because he can make the nine work.—
John A. Howland.

He who thinks only of himself hasn't
any too much to think about.

Daily Thought.
A happy man or woman is a better
thing to find than a 5 pound note. He
or she is a radiating focus of goodwill;
and their entrance into a room is as
though another candle had been lit.—
H. L. Stevenson.

It's awfully hard to find your con-
fidence after it has been misplaced.

Privileged Characters.
Little Nell—Aunt took me to the
matinee to-day, and all the idiot asy-
lum inmates were there. The manager
sent them free tickets, and put them
all in one part of the theater, in a
whole lot of seats by themselves.
Mamma—Indeed? And how did they
act?
Little Nell—Oh, just as if they had
a box.—N. Y. Weekly.

DODGING A LOAN.



First Sport—But why do you ask me
to lend him five as a personal favor to
you? Are you under obligations to him?
Second Sport—No, but if you don't
he'll come to me for it.—N. Y. Herald.

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—Chicago Tribune.

Under Her Thumb.
"What are your father's politics, Mr. Sorrel?" asked the curious neighbor.
"Well," replied the boy, "he used to be a Republican, but since he joined a woman's rights club she's got to be a Democrat. He's hard before they are wet, but he doesn't dare say he's anything but a suffragette himself!"
—Detroit Free Press.

Directions for Use.
"Kiss Newed.—That sponge cake I ate here yesterday was so hard we couldn't eat it."
"Blessed—That's all right, ma'am. All sponges are hard before they are wet, but they should have soaked the cake in tea."
—Chicago Daily News.

Locating It.
"I have a soft spot in my heart for

Mabel," said the youth.
"You mean in your head, don't you?" asked the maid, and he knew right away where he stood.—Detroit Free Press.

Hopeful.
Barber—Your hair seems to be coming out.
Elderly Customer—Good! I've been under the impression all the time that it was going back.—Chicago Tribune.

An Ill Wind, Etc.
Long—Overcoats are to be worn longer this fall, I understand.
Short—That's good. I'll be able to get another winter out of mine.—Chicago Daily News.

Nature Fakers.
Ethel—Do you think the face makes the woman?
Carolyn—Sometimes, when the woman makes the face.—Judge.

What Did He Mean?
Wife—John, a hobo just ran off with one of my pies!
Husband (grimly)—By George! that fellow's got an awful crust.—Judge.

NORWAY AND SOUTH PARIS

NORWAY.

Walter L. Bacon was at his home in Bryant's Pond during the Christmas vacation.

The novelty mill at the Falls shut down from Thursday night until Monday. Many working there were out of town during the short vacation.

Herbert Bradbury returned to his work in the shoe factory last Monday, after being confined to his home two weeks through illness.

Samuel Moore was in Glenad from Wednesday until Sunday, visiting relatives and friends.

The revival meetings opened in the Methodist church Sunday evening with a large attendance and considerable religious interest.

A sunlight hop was largely attended in Norway Opera House Friday afternoon. Another social dance was held in the same hall during the evening. Fully ninety couples danced merrily to the music furnished by Stearns' Orchestra.

William Schenk of Schenectady, N. Y., was with his parents on Pike's Hill during his short holiday visit. Mr. Schenk is foreman with a large construction company at Schenectady, and still progressing. He worked his first apprenticeship with the Mardock Company in Norway.

Harry Downing is at home from the U. of M. until Jan. 4th. This "Captain of the Zenta" is a popular young man especially with the large colony up Lake Umbagog. When he started the steamboat business two years ago, Harry had the distinction of being the youngest licensed captain in the State, and probably still holds the record.

A so-called Sacred Concert was given in Norway Opera House last Sunday evening by the local moving picture management. Solos by Mrs. Robbins, Fred Moore and Chas. Bartlett received generous applause. Two reels of motion pictures appropriate to the occasion were well presented. No admission was charged at the door but a collection was taken later.

Merritt Welch and family are getting settled in their home on lower Main street, formerly occupied by the late E. T. Tower. Mr. Welch was once located in the Opera House block and carried on an extensive dry goods business.

Eugene Hayden of Maple street secured the splendid Cole piano given away Dec. 24th by Geo. Winslow the grocer. Mr. Hayden's coupons represented twenty four hundred dollars in cash purchases, being some nine hundred ahead of the nearest competitor. The piano is a handsome instrument with a full, rich tone and will be a welcomed guest in the home.

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SOUTH PARIS.

Water? Where! The editor had the last word as was expected and the readers of the Citizen can form their own opinion in regard to my fairness. One thing, however, is undeniable, and that is that my article was founded on facts and "facts be stubborn things."

The following communication which was published in this week's Oxford Democrat is somewhat amusing to those who understand the situation, and most South Paris people do.

Editor Democrat:
"I do not care to get into the water works controversy, though inadvertently and heedlessly becoming somewhat involved in the matter. I am not a 'good friend' or partisan of the Norway Water Company, and have no stock in or interest in it whatever, except through its furnishing my family with water. I have always felt and so expressed myself without reserve that, if the people of South Paris wanted a system of water works of their own they ought to have it."

South Paris, Dec. 26, 1908.
C. F. WHITMAN.

To your correspondent, at least, it looks as though Mr. Whitman butted in to this affair, rather than that he was "inadvertently involved" in the matter.

We are glad to hear that the poor of our village were not forgotten during the Christmas festivities. We have heard the reports of many cases where those who have enough for themselves and to spare have been mindful of those who were not so fortunately situated, and have illustrated the principle that it is more blessed to give than to receive.

Waldo Hubbard is at home from Bridgton Academy for a two weeks' vacation. Christmas day passed rather quietly here. In the afternoon a large number of young people attended the midnight dance at Norway Opera House and enjoyed a fine time. In the evening there was a Christmas concert given in connection with the moving pictures at the Bijou. Those who took part were Misses Ruby and Rosa Clark, Mrs. George Robbins, Mr. L. S. Sessions, Mr. Charles Bartlett and Mr. C. H. Kierce.

The attendance was good and the entertainment pronounced first class. Harry J. Fifield, who is employed as a stenographer in Boston, being a graduate of Burditt Business College, was with his parents here from Friday until Monday. Louis Clark remained at home until Monday in order to have his rifle company on his return trip.

Walter L. Gray and George M. Atwood attended the meeting of the Trustees of Hebron Academy at Portland Tuesday of last week. Mr. Gray was chosen as one of the committee to solicit subscriptions for the new boys' dormitory which it was voted to build.

W. H. Doten, the barber, has placed a new revolving sign in front of his shop. Mrs. Walter Penley and son of Greenwood were with Mrs. Penley's parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Murphy, Christmas day.

Walter Chase went to Dr. King's hospital in Portland last Thursday for an operation for gall stones. The trouble has affected Mr. Chase's health for some time.

The Seneca Club was entertained at the home of Mrs. D. M. Stewart Monday evening. Mrs. H. F. Wilson acted as hostess. Mrs. Stewart on ladies of the evening.

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Boston; Miss Isabel Morton from Boston Art school; William Atwood from Bowdoin; and nearly all the U. of M. students from this village.

Both Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Hall are under the care of trained nurses; Mrs. Hall because of an operation and Mr. Hall because of an illness of long duration. Their son, H. F. Hall of Kansas City is unable to come to them because of the illness of his wife. They have the sympathy of many friends in their suffering.

Mt. Pleasant Lodge have elected the following officers:

N. G.—Miss Ava Leach.
V. G.—Mrs. Carrie Briggs.
Rec. Sec.—Miss Hattie Leach.
Fin. Sec.—Mrs. Sophia Clark.
Treas.—Mrs. Hattie Dean.
Trustees—Mrs. Hannah Wright, Miss Anna Morse, Mr. A. E. Shurtleff.

Some of those who were out of town for Christmas were Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Wheeler with Mrs. Wheeler's parents in Auburn; Mrs. A. G. Jones and Mrs. Margaret Wilbur and daughter, Dorothy with relatives in Portland; Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Penfold with Mrs. Penfold's parents in Waterford; Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Park with relatives in Sumner; Mr. and Mrs. T. S. Barnes and Miss Helen in Portland; Mrs. Louisa Briggs with her sister in Portland.

Mrs. Andrew J. Lord died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Lincoett, on Pleasant street, Friday morning. She was 79 years of age and has resided with her daughter for several years. She leaves a husband, one son and five daughters all of whom are residents of this town. The funeral was held Sunday afternoon, attended by Rev. C. A. Brooks of the Norway Methodist church.

Mrs. Spofford Flint died at her home on Pleasant street Saturday morning. Although she had been in poor health for some time, the end came very unexpectedly, death being caused by a apoplectic shock from which she never rallied. Mr. and Mrs. Flint have been residents of our village some over a year, coming here from Bethel. The funeral was held at the home Monday afternoon, attended by Rev. J. W. Chesbro, the floral offerings being very beautiful and testifying to the high esteem in which she was held by those who knew her best. She leaves two sons, two brothers and a husband to mourn her loss. The remains were taken to her former home in Westbrook for burial Tuesday forenoon.

Cream Salad Dressing.
Heat to a boil five tablespoons of good vinegar, one teaspoon salt and half a teaspoon of white pepper. Beat well the yolks of five eggs and over them pour the hot vinegar. Put all over the fire and stir constantly till the mixture thickens, when you add two tablespoons butter. Set away carefully covered. When used, thin with good cream and season to taste.

Endive Salad.
Prepare endive by removing the outside green leaves, and form a nest of the bleached centers; cut fine a little of the endive, a little white celery, also apple, and blanched almonds, put on ice to get crisp. Serve by putting on a little French dressing first, then mayonnaise. This is, I think, an original salad and we are fond of it.

Baked Quinces.
Rub the fur from the quinces, core them and stuff the centers with sugar, as you would apples. Put these in a baking pan with a little water and bake until tender. If they dry on top, baste and cover with a pan. Serve with a sauce of cream flavored with brandy, vanilla or wine.

To Clean Chamolai Gloves.
Place a few drops of olive oil in soft tepid water; make a lather from any kind of good toilet soap and wash chamolai gloves in this. Rub in water with a little more oil being careful to have the water tepid. This makes chamolai soft and pliable and keeps gloves looking fresh and new.

Noodle Scramble.
Take a half a pound of home-made noodles, boil about 15 minutes in salt water, then strain off water, put them in a hot skillet with a good-sized piece of butter, mixing nicely thoroughly; then add three or four eggs and scramble all together until eggs are cooked.

Coffee, Spanish Cream.
One and one-half cups hot coffee, one-half cup milk, one tablespoon granulated gelatine, two-thirds cup sugar, pinch of salt, yolks of two eggs. Cook like a soft custard. When a little cool add the beaten whites of the eggs and one-half teaspoon of vanilla.

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Stations.	No. 4 Daily A.M.	No. 6 Ex. Sun. P.M.	No. 2 Daily P.M.
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Gorham,	4:00	8:20	3:06
Gilead,	4:24	8:40	3:27
West Bethel,	4:35	8:51	3:38
BETHEL,	4:46	9:01	3:45
Locke's Mills,		9:11	3:54
Bryant's Pond,	5:05	9:30	4:03
South Paris,	5:16	9:50	4:33
Lewiston, arrive	6:40	10:55	5:35
Portland, " 7:30	11:45	6:30	

Trains Going West.

Stations.	No. 3 Daily A.M.	No. 5 Ex. Sun. P.M.	No. 1 Daily P.M.
Portland, leave	5:05	1:30	7:00
Lewiston,	8:50	2:25	7:50
South Paris,	9:50	3:26	8:47
Bryant's Pond,	10:18	4:03	9:18
Locke's Mills,	10:26	4:15	9:26
BETHEL,	10:35	4:24	9:37
West Bethel,	10:42	4:35	9:46
Gilead,	10:53	4:51	9:59
Gorham,	11:17	5:10	10:25
Berlin,	11:31	5:37	10:40

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Realizing this and also appreciating the fact that we can better serve our readers by having a special representative at Augusta during the session than we could do by gathering our weekly reports from the daily papers, we have procured the services of a man who has had twenty years in the newspaper business and has during past sessions of the legislature represented some of Maine's largest daily papers. He is a man thoroughly acquainted with Maine and Maine matters, and the readers of the Citizen may rest assured that we will be able with the services of such a man to give them a weekly report which will meet with their acceptance.

THE OLD AND THE NEW.

Again we stand upon the border line which separates the dead past from an unknown future. Though every minute of our lives marks such a point of separation, yet there is something especially real which characterizes the brink of the old year as a separation point.

The realities of the old year are indelibly stamped upon our memory and we vividly recall the joys and sorrows, the pleasures and pains, the encouragements and discouragements, the supports and hindrances, the successes and failures, the victories and defeats which have come to us as individuals and by which we form our estimates of life.

Whatever may have come into our lives during the past year, to brighten and gladden them and make them worth living, or whatever has been ours to recall with sadness and regret, is past and cannot be changed. It is possible that much which we would have changed if we could, may have been deflected by our own actions and could have been otherwise had we so willed at the proper time. If we look back over the past year we must mark with regret many a good resolution made, not to be faithfully kept, and we may perchance picture a greater degree of satisfaction with our lives to have been ours had we lived true to the happy resolution that we made. It is not that the resolution was made, but that we failed to keep it faithfully. And, are we not of greater value to ourselves today because of the resolution and its partial keeping, than we were at the time it was made?

We are no more and no better in life than we receive and deserve to be, and as we stand upon the threshold of the new year, we should be reminded, that the dead, unchangeable past may bring vitality into our present and future life, through the lessons which we are to learn from its experiences, and incorporating into our life and actions during the days which are before.

The successful life is the broad and truest some in the year 1908, and years which are to follow, will not come to him who, regarding a past of broken resolutions, promises to make no more, but rather to him who notes his past resolutions, appreciates the lessons which have come to him through their breaking, and learns from them the way to a better life.

were, the field of life with a determination that the future shall reward him a greater degree of success than the past has known.

A WRONG IMPRESSION

As a result of the controversy, which has been carried forward through the columns of our paper concerning the water question of Norway and South Paris, there seems to have arisen an impression among some of the South Paris people that the Oxford County Citizen has changed its colors. In other words, that during the past few months we have stood with South Paris in the water fight, but have recently shifted our influence to the cause of the Norway Water Company, and that our recent arguments have been solely for the benefit of this Company.

We want to state emphatically that each of these conclusions are not correct. We hope that those interested, in each side of the question, will be led to realize that during the first few months we were not interested in the South Paris end of the matter, and at the present time we are not interested in the Norway end. Those who know the editor of the Oxford County Citizen best, know him to be a man who speaks his mind on all occasions regardless of consequences, and he has not deviated from his course in this matter. During the past few weeks several questions, not previously brought out in our columns, have been put up to us for discussion and we have hesitated because we have felt that it is not our business as an outsider to continue the discussion into new fields, but concerning a definite feature relating to the pressure we have been urged to give our opinion, which we will gladly do.

It seems that when the South Paris Fire Department made its recent test, they were anxious that the test might be made at a time when the pumps were not working and so explained to the Norway Water Company, but the Company refused to stop the pumps. In this, we will say frankly, the Norway Water Company is at fault. The South Paris people contend that in view of the fact that the pumps pump directly into the mains, the pressure is great deal better for fire protection than when they are not. They also claim that many of the fires start in the night when the pumps are not working, and that it is nothing more than right that they be afforded an opportunity to ascertain just what the system will do when the pumps are not in operation and their claim is a just one.

Whether or not, the actual working of the pumps materially affects the pressure, we do not presume to argue. Be that as it may, the South Paris people desire to know by actual test what results can be obtained without the pumps in operation as compared with the results which have been obtained with them working, and they should have a right to find out, and if our opinion is worth anything in the matter, we will state as candidly as we have made all previous statements concerning this water question, that fairness and justice on the part of the Norway Water Company should lead them to forthwith join with South Paris in making a test of the actual conditions as they would exist with the pumps silent. If such a test would reveal a material change in the force and effectiveness of the system, all interested have a right to know it and if such a test should show no material change from those that have been made under other conditions, the result would inspire confidence in the hearts of all interested, and confidence goes a long way toward the realization of a thing.

TO TEACH OBEDIENCE.

Nearly every boy who enters business life without the advantages of a good education regards the position of office boy as the most natural, if not the only door, and in the main this is true. There must always be office boys, no matter how many new business appliances are invented, but the supply, although equal to the demand in quantity, is unsatisfactory in quality. In the hope of improving this condition somewhat, the Children's Aid Society of New York has undertaken a school for office boys. The pupils will be taught many things, but above all obedience. "The first thing we shall instill into a boy," says the head of the school, "is the understanding that he must do exactly as he is told." An office boy with this kind of education would be a great asset to any business.

for his duties, says the Youth's Companion. In a western city a boy lately entered the office of a business house from a good home. One day his employer told him to do a certain thing, and, having found it undone later in the day, asked the boy why he had neglected it. "Oh, I didn't feel like it," was the answer, made naturally and without any thought of being impudent. But the employer promptly knocked the boy down. The interesting sequel to the story is that when the boy went home, it was not to complain of the employer, but to upbraid his parents for never having taught him to obey. His complaint was not unjust. To whom should a boy look for the great lesson of obedience, if not to his parents? A generation ago he might have got some knowledge of the value of discipline from the schools, but the abolition of corporal punishment and the changed public attitude toward punishment of any kind have robbed the schools of most of the disciplinary value they once had. Only the other day the old teacher died who was credited by the late Roscoe Conkling with having made him a United States senator by a thrashing he once gave him in school. The responsibility of parents in inculcating obedience is greater now than ever before. Not even a school for office boys can do all the work.

PERU.

A great deal of sickness prevails and many deaths. Mr. James Dowell passed away Friday night after a few weeks of great suffering. Mr. Dowell has been very prominent in town affairs for many years, he was on the board of selectmen, being chairman for a long time, and was well posted in all matters pertaining to town affairs. He was a carpenter by trade and many home's can show his handiwork. He will be greatly missed. He leaves a widow, one daughter and a granddaughter, besides many more distant relatives and a host of friends. Funeral services Tuesday.

about eight partook of the dinner given by the Grange at their hall, while some more than that attended the exercises in the afternoon. The children did credit to themselves, and those that had them in charge. Their songs, dialogues and recitations were very nice. On the arrival of Old Santa Claus, and who he introduced as Santa Marie, all were made glad as they came laden with good cheer, corn, nuts, candies, dolls, sleds, books and toys of all sorts and kinds. The trees and tables were soon relieved of their burden of pretty ornamental and useful presents, which kind and dear friends were bestowing upon one another. All pronounced it a day of pleasure. Many thanks are due to those who worked in the dining room and hall.

The elegant silk sofa pillow which the sewing circle sold by weight was won by Mrs. M. T. Robinson.

Mr. and Mrs. T. W. Stillman and little son and C. E. Knox arrived safely at Riverside, Calif.

Miss Rhel Kilder, one of Peru's popular young ladies and teachers, and friend, Miss Jennie Holmes of Dixfield have arrived safely at Kansas City, Mo.

There has been a great deal of real fever in the place this fall and the cold waves which have just passed over us seems to have revived the fever and many are sighing for the balmy air of California.

Miss Florence Olin went home Saturday and will return to her school Tuesday morning.

Mrs. F. G. Barrett of W. Shann's spent Christmas with friends here.

Miss Mabel Sawyer visited for a few days with friends here.

Irving Gotchell came down from Bangley with his grandmother who had been visiting there. He reports very times in the logging woods. He will stay in town a week or till after the New Year's ball at Rockcomb Hall, Friday evening.

Amory Dyer of Portland and his father, O. F. Dyer of Bangley, visited relatives here Sunday. Amory returns to Portland Monday.

Orlando Holmes from Idaho is calling on old acquaintances. He has been in the West for the past 25 years and made many changes on his return. He has several acres and appears with whom he makes his home. Charles De laue of Dixfield is a brother.

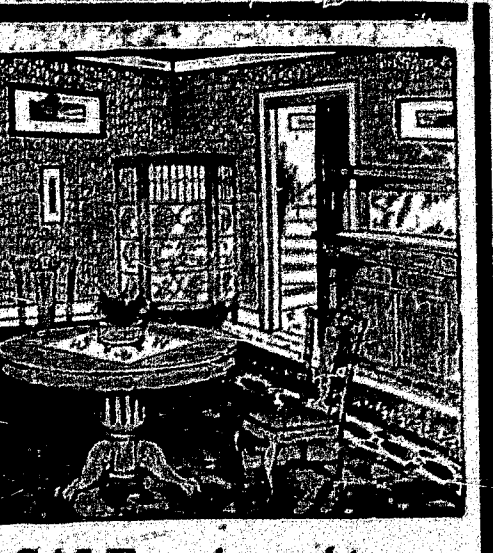
Fine Home Furnishings At Your Own Price

A great FURNITURE AUCTION SALE replaces this year our Annual Clearance Sale. This immense hundred thousand dollar stock of fine Furniture, Carpets, Draperies, and Home Furnishings of every description for a limited period beginning SATURDAY, JANUARY 2nd, will be sold for just what they will bring.

We take this means of reducing stocks and making room for spring goods. You may select any article you wish to bid on and it will be put up. This is the chance of a lifetime to get home furnishings you need at your own price.

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If your purchase amounts to \$25, the amount of your railroad fare one way (up to 50 miles) will be refunded to you upon presentation of this coupon. Name of paper and date.

Collector's Advertisement of Sale of Lands of Non-Resident Owners. STATE OF MAINE.

Unpaid taxes on lands situated in the Town of Bethel, in the County of Oxford, for the year 1908.

The following list of taxes on real estate of non-resident owners in the town of Bethel aforesaid, for the year 1908, committed to me for collection for said Town on the twenty-fifth (25) day of May, 1908, remain unpaid; and notice is hereby given that if said taxes with interest and charges are not previously paid, so much of the real estate taxes as is sufficient to pay the amount due therefor, including interest and charges, will be sold without further notice at public auction at Odeon Hall in said Town, on the first Monday in February, 1909, at nine o'clock a. m.

NAME OF OWNER.	DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY.	AMOUNT OF TAX DUE, INCLUDING INTEREST AND CHARGES.
Benjamin W. Kimball.	One-half of Dunham Lot.	\$5.50
W. J. Wheeler.	The Wheeler Meadow Lot.	1.50
Ans Young.	House Lot on Church Street.	8.00

December 14, 1908.

FRED B. HOWE, Collector of Taxes of the Town of Bethel.

Collector's Advertisement of Sale of Lands of Non-Resident Owners. STATE OF MAINE.

Unpaid taxes on lands situated in the Town of Newry, in the County of Oxford, for the year 1908.

The following list of taxes on real estate of non-resident owners in the town of Newry aforesaid, for the year 1908, committed to me for collection for said Town on the fourth (4) day of May, 1908, remain unpaid; and notice is hereby given that if said taxes with interest and charges are not previously paid, so much of the real estate taxes as is sufficient to pay the amount due therefor, including interest and charges, will be sold without further notice at public auction at Smith's Hall in said Town, on the first Monday in February, 1909, at nine o'clock a. m.

NAME OF OWNER.	DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY.	AMOUNT OF TAX DUE, INCLUDING INTEREST AND CHARGES.
Barker, A. E., heirs of, Johnson, Frank.	The Barker lots, so-called, containing 300 acres, Lot No. 10 in Range No. 1 on the east side of Bear River, containing 100 acres.	\$24.00
Mason, Frank; Mason, Herman and Byrd, Sarah.	The A. N. and Melvin Stone tract, containing 100 acres.	67.50

December 14, 1908.

D. C. SMITH, Collector of Taxes of the Town of Newry.

Collector's Advertisement of Sale of Lands of Non-Resident Owners. STATE OF MAINE.

Unpaid taxes on lands situated in the Town of Albany, in the County of Oxford, for the year 1908.

The following list of taxes on real estate of non-resident owners in the Town of Albany aforesaid, for the year 1908, committed to me for collection for said Town on the twenty-fifth day of April, 1908, remain unpaid; and notice is hereby given that if said taxes with interest and charges are not previously paid, so much of the real estate taxes as is sufficient to pay the amount due therefor, including interest and charges, will be sold without further notice at public auction at Town House in said Town on the first Monday in February, 1909, at nine o'clock a. m.

NAME OF OWNER.	DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY.	AMOUNT OF TAX DUE, INCLUDING INTEREST AND CHARGES.
Frederic Howe.	Lot No. 7 in Range No. 1, containing 200 acres.	\$19.50

December 15, 1908.

GEO. CUMMINGS, Collector of Taxes of the Town of Albany.

FIRST CHARGE TO CUSTOMERS.

Somewhat Novel System in Vogue in Stores of Salem.

Evidence of that theft which contrived its share in making Salem the prosperous little city it is to-day almost unknown the first day I ventured into one of the numerous "antique" stores.

The shop's exterior was tempting and I entered, to find some indifferent mannequin, littered about a severe maiden lady who stood framed in an extremely interesting fashion. I noted the disposition of things and was preparing to leave, having just noticed something on the shelf where it belonged, when the lady said "That will be ten cents."

"Thank you, I really couldn't see it," I replied, edging away for the door.

"That the charge is ten cents," she added, coldly, moving nearer.

"No I understand," said I, skillfully maneuvering for a hurried but dignified exit.

"The admission to the store is ten cents," she put in here, with chilly distinctness, outstopping me.

For anything save the severity of this it is a deuced business world let us be truly thankful! The shopkeeper who charges you a fee for the privilege of entering her store does not lose in dignity by the proceeding. She insists upon the acknowledgment with such an air of divine right that for the moment you feel strangely like the recipient of a favor, and wander down the street, a prey to vague fancies that possibly you may owe her money.—Harper's Magazine.

ISRAELSON'S Semi-Annual Sale

Saturday Jan. 2, '09 for Seven Days.

LOOK, READ, THINK ABOUT

Every item in our large bills. If you haven't got one, send to us and we will send you one. This sale is one that will surpass any sale ever held in Oxford County.

These great trades cover our entire lines of

Fur Coats,	Hats,
Over Coats,	Caps,
Rain Coats,	Shoes
Boys' Suits,	Furnishings of all kinds.
Boys' Overcoats,	
Trunks, Valises.	

The greatest money saving sale ever held.

Come, Look and be Convinced.

Sale Commences

SATURDAY, JANUARY 2, '09 at 8 o'clock

Lasts Seven Days.

ALASKAN BIRDS IN CALIFORNIA.

Strange Visitors Brought to San Bernardino by Big Storm.

At an early hour this morning several flocks of strange birds numbering thousands came into the city on the wing of a big rain and wind storm, and this morning the flocks of many of the birds were found lying inert in the downtown streets and in the parks, says a San Bernardino correspondent of the San Francisco Chronicle. The air was filled last night with the electric lights, floated upon the buildings or fell exhausted in the streets. Investigation to-day showed that many of the birds were of Alaskan variety, and the only accounting for their presence in this latitude is that they were engaged in a long flight to the southern zones from their northern summer haunts and had been blown from their route by heavy winds and rains. The most noticeable birds were the northern phalarope and the night heron. The former birds were seen outside of Alaska or the city south.

SHOCKED IN HAUNTED CHAMBER

Worshiper Fright, However, Was Not Caused by Ghosts.

Miss Leech and a member of the family once stayed a night at a country hall in England, where, during the night, the two guests being present, the two bedrooms had no alternative but to be haunted. In the middle of the night Miss Leech, believing that some ghost was haunting her violently by the shoulder, was supposed to be the favorite of the ghost. He rushed into the room and found Leech sitting on the floor, crying and declaring that he was not for the world to go back to the room. They spent the remainder of the night in the corridor, but in the morning nothing of their experience, as the afternoon there arrived an evening paper telling of a violent earthquake in the locality. The earthquake was what the two visitors believed to be their ghost.

"Navigator's" His Farm.

A story which almost parallels that told of Capt. Gray, the sailor-farmer of Toddy Pond, who is said to carry a compass on his plow to run the furrows straight, comes from Cranberry Isles. One sea captain, who enjoys the proud distinction of owning one of the very few horses on the island, got alarmed for fear that he would lose his bearings in the recent smoke, and on the veracious accounts of sober citizens took the binnacle from the vessel and strapped it alongside the seat of his wagon, fearing that the weather might become so thick that he would lose his bearings and have to navigate in what was worse than a fog. It is currently reported that he shouts at his team to turn to starboard or port, instead of the more conventional landlubber terms usually employed. — Kennebec (Me.) Journal.

Shifting the Blame.

According to all accounts the American Highlanders militia are a fine body of men physically. Not long ago four of them occupied the least crowded seat in a full compartment on a Scotland railway. Just as the train was moving off a diminutive little clergyman jumped into the compartment, and tried to edge himself between two of the Highlanders. Not finding it very comfortable, he turned to the one on his right, and said: "Sit up, please. You know that according to act of parliament this seat belongs to me." The Highlander looked at him for a moment, and then replied: "That may be a right enough for your kind, sir, but surely ye canna blame me for nothin' constructed according to act of parliament."

To Relieve His Feelings.

Boldly displayed in black letters on the white gable of an unpainted house on the road to Mount Stuart, Bute, Scotland, is the following inscription: "The Materials of This Cottage Are for Sale." According to the local historians, the announcement, as it stands, is the last word in a duel between neighbors.

It is said that the house was built to obstruct the view of a gentleman who

had been successful in getting an indenture to prevent the owner from enclosing the foreshore. But after the death of the builder the house came into the market and was purchased by the other gentleman, who now seeks to express his wounded feelings in paint.

Small Boy's Adaptation.

"Things aren't always what they seem," remarked that very clever little Edwin Stevens, in Henry Savage's production, as he drew a patent leather shoe over his cloven hoof. A teacher of my kid days put this puzzle to us once: "Now, boys, the word 'stan' at the end of a word means 'place of.' Thus we have Afghanistan, the place of Afghans; also Hindocstan, the place of the Hindoos. Now, can any one give me another instance?"

"Yes, sir," said the smallest boy proudly. "I can—umbrellastan, the place for umbrellas."

A Little Learning.

Earnest Female—Professor, I hear you are a great mathematician.

Professor—I am an ornithologist, madam.

Largest Female—Then could you kindly tell me the botanical name for a whale?

His Marital Trouble.

"On what ground," asked the lawyer, "does your wife want a divorce?"

"Something of that sort, I reckon," answered the man. "My income isn't compatible with her ideas of comfort."

The Two-Logged Kind.

Mr. Coon—How'd ye like ter meet me round ter Squigg Brown's hen-roost ter night, Mr. Possum?

Mr. Possum—No, thank ye, Mr. Coon. Der's too much danger ob der bein' someadder coon dan ye dar, Judge.

Not in Her Line.

He—Now that you have graduated from a cooking school, I think we can afford to marry, even though my income is small.

She—I'm afraid we would starve. They didn't teach me to make air pudding. —Chicago Daily News.

Differant.

"She's different from most women," "in what way?"

"The other day she dropped a fork, and she didn't say: 'Now I wonder who's coming here?'" —Detroit Free Press.

Tact.

"She's a woman of remarkable tact."

"Is that so?"

"Yes. She can give a dinner party without offending anybody."

VERSE WORTH READING.

Even-Song.

Pleasant the ways whereon our feet were led,
Swept the young hills, the valleys of content,
But now the hours of dawn and dream are fled,
Lord, we are spent.

We did not heed thy warning in the skies,
We have not heard thy voice nor known thy fold,
But now the world is darkening to our eyes,
Lord, we grow old.

Now the sweet stream turns bitter with our tears,
Now does the star we followed in the west,
Now we are sad and ill at ease with years,
Lord, we must rest.

Lo, our proud lamps are emptied of their light,
Vexing our hands to toll, our feet to roam,
Our day is past and swiftly falls thy night,
Lord, lead us home.

—Marjorie L. C. Pickett, in the Metropolitan Magazine.

The Sea Hate.

Soft it sings in shivering ripples, glad beneath the golden day,
With a laugh among the dune grass, as it flings its jewel spray;
But I hate its smiles and whispers, for beneath the white-curtained crests
Lies the great black heart of terror and the wrath that never rests.

Hidden from the blessed daylight, in its caves it heaves and throbs,
With a dreadful choking gurgle and a sound of dying sob;
And the long, dark, trailing seaweed, lifted on its ebb and flow,
Is like hair of drowned women whelmed within the undertow.

Through the pale green dunks of twilight from the rolling mystic line,
Comes a chant of fear and beauty, calling sweet to me and mine;
But I flee the alien music of the cruel luring flood,
For its doom is in its message and the answer in my blood.

—The Ant and the Sluggard.

Consider the life of the sluggard, O ant! Why run your legs with that torturing pant?

Why climb with your burden those weary, steep stairs,
While the sluggard at ease so restfully sleeps?

He drifts without care on a river of dreams,
While the sweat from your forehead is running in streams;

And when your labor your labor your boardings you crunch,
He'll feed, fresh and fat, at the charity lunch.

—Twelve apostles and grace but brief is your race.

If you gallop through life at the strenuous pace,
To your ruinous folly pray open your eyes;

Consider the sluggard, O ant, and be wise!

—Lippincott's.

Men Never Know.

Men mourn the loss that women tell—
The cunning, heartless lie—
Her Judas lips that hide as well
The narrow wing of her eye.

A heart is here; she seeks to slay it—
A soul is here; she does not weigh it—
The game is called; how well she'll play!
Her debt is there; she does not pay it.

Men mourn the loss that women tell—
The cunning, heartless lie.

Men do not know the lies they hear—
The brave, heartbroken lie—
Her smiling lips that hide, from fear,
The shadows in her eye.

A heart is here; for just a while—
A soul is here; it beats a while—
The game is called; her wit on trial—
Her debt is there; dear God! how small!

Men do not know the lies they hear—
The brave, heartbroken lie—
Her smiling lips that hide, from fear,
The shadows in her eye.

—Helen Hamilton Dudley in Smart Set.

Sleep.

When to soft sleep we give ourselves away,
And in a dream as in a fairy bark
Drift on and on through the enchanted sea,
To purple gray daybreak—little thought we pay

To the sweet bitter world we know by
We are clean cut of it, as in a lark
So high in heaven no human eye can mark
The swift pinion cleaving through the star.

Till we awake, ill fate can do no ill,
The restless heart shall not take us again
The heavy load that yet must make it ill,
Yea, the cold space the lead world's pain.

No faintest echo of it brings us pain,
How well it is when we shall sleep, in—
—T. H. Aldrich.

The Little One.

Because I tell for you dear little one,
I do so graciously when my tasks are great;

Because of you, my work is gladly done,
There always is your love to compensate.

Because you give me love, dear little one,
I have the strength to scorn temptation's snare.

To make brave resolutions and to shun
The slippery places where the foolish fall.

Because of your sweet faith in me, I
To tempt that with your coming were huge.

How joyful were I, how dear a thing—
If feeling you, I felt dear little one!

—Judgment.

Not to him gathered in a suburban room
The seeds of them that had not sought
To be
With all their guilt upon their heads, and they cried:

"They that shall stand upon their heads and feet
And bring
—The fact that makes us what we might become.

Judge not! The judges of all the earth
Will judge these things, in his sovereign grace.

He lifted up the pity of his face.
—William Dean Howells.

—Wander.

I wonder if I shall see you again
But the thought of you is a flame that will burn
And I shall be a flame that will burn
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RUMFORD.

Miss Anna Farnum is at home for the holidays.

Arthur Coulman spent Christmas at his home in Bryant Pond.

Miss Mary Kennedy is spending the week at her home in Boston.

Philip Stiefeld has been spending a few days this week in Berlin, N. H.

Miss Hattie Isaacson is at home from Livermore for a few days' visit.

Archie Putnam spent Friday and Saturday with friends in Groveton, N. H.

Mrs. Hannah Ordway of Woodstock is visiting her son, Walter Ordway of Southville.

M. E. Sanders of Barre Vt. has been spending the past week in Rumford with Mrs. Sanders.

Mrs. Laura Murphy of Auburn was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Peabody over Sunday.

The Rumford Choral Union is making plans for a concert to be given about the middle of January.

Miss Lena Pitt spent Sunday at Portland, the guest of Mrs. M. E. Peabody and family.

Miss Ida Parlin, who is a teacher in Randolph, Mass., is spending her vacation with her father, Mr. Parlin.

Mrs. H. L. Elliott is spending the week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Wyman at North Abington, Mass.

Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Woodson and son Ralph spent Sunday as the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Byron Deane at West Peru.

Mrs. A. J. Martin and daughter, Louise, spent Christmas with Misses Anna and Jennie Farnum at Rumford Center.

W. E. MacLennan has moved from Hancock St. to the Abbotts' rent on Peabody street, recently vacated by Wm. Tainter.

The young ladies of the Majesthas Club were pleasantly entertained at the home of Mrs. A. M. Hamblet on Monday evening.

Miss Edith Vandenberg spent a few days the past week in Lewiston with her mother, who is a patient at one of the hospitals.

Rev. Mr. Parsons of Portland, preached at the Methodist church last Sunday. Next Sunday the new pastor, Mr. Ryder will be present to commence his work.

Miss Henrietta Steinfeld, who has been teaching in Portsmouth, N. H. during the past year is spending the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Solomon Steinfeld.

The Universalist Sunday School will have its annual New Year's tree at the church under the evening. All members of the school are invited to be present.

James Hulse is taking a short vacation from his duties in the Red Cross Pharmacy and is spending the week with relatives in Auburn, N. H. and Montreal.

Miss Anna F. Hulse and her two daughters, Misses Anna and Mary, are spending the holidays with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Hulse in Brunswick.

Misses A. Thompson, a former teacher in the school, are to be invited to give a concert at the church on Christmas day. Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Mendon and son Earl Frank Mendon of Portland, Me., and Mrs. M. H. Allen.

The sale of Branch's food store the past week in Rumford (leaving time to see the future in the old building) Mrs. Hulse is to be present at the Christmas party at North Park, commencing with the New Year.

Chester Chaffin spent Sunday at his home in Portland.

Oliver Goiger visited friends in Portland over Sunday.

Miss Bertha Isaacson has been quite ill during the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. James McGregor are spending the week in Boston.

Ralph Wadman has been visiting relatives in West Peru this week.

Mrs. Oliver Blanchard is spending the week with friends in Bangor.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred O. Eaton were guests of relatives in Lewiston over Christmas.

The Scherz club met at the home of Miss Margaret McKenzie on Wednesday evening.

Miss Emma Duval of Lewiston was the guest of her sisters in Rumford on Christmas day.

Mrs. Will Hall of Adversore has been visiting Mrs. E. E. Goding for several days recently.

At a special meeting of the Relief Corps on Monday evening, two candidates were initiated.

Miss Mary Parrott was the guest of friends in Livermore for a few days during the past week.

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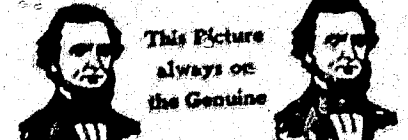
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Mr. and Mrs. Clifford of Lewiston, Me. and Miss G. E. Wadlin and son of Lewiston and Hon. John P. Swaney of Washington, D. C., were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Lucile Howe on Christmas day.

The Oxford Paper Company, which is building a large addition to its plant at Rumford, for the manufacture of blank paper and card stock, has a new electric power plant located and developed by Jasper Whiting of the town, has just closed a contract for the electrical machinery. This apparatus is to be built by the Western Electric Company, and includes a motor generator set, each consisting of a 500 horse power, 2200 volt induction motor direct connected to a 330 kilowatt, 220 volt direct current generator, the power to be taken from the Rumford Falls Power Company. It is said that this machinery and its application will result in a great saving in the cost of manufacturing paper.



TRUE'S ELIXIR

contains 100 per cent more efficiency than any known preparation on the market. Keeps your blood pure and your stomach and bowels clean and healthy. If you feel languid and out of sorts, take it to-day—the results will show.

35c. 50c. \$1.00
IN USE 57 YEARS

Mrs. Martha J. Farnham passed away Saturday at the home of her son, Fred Farnham at the age of 60 years. Mrs. Farnham had been visiting her son for about six weeks and was stricken with an illness from which she did not recover.

It was a jolly family party that gathered about the tree at the home of F. P. Bartlett on Christmas night. The tree was laden with many beautiful and costly presents and every one present was generously remembered.

A fine supper was served to the low grades of the Baptist Sunday School last Thursday evening at the vestry of the church. After the supper a "Christ" was tree was enjoyed by the little ones and an interesting program carried out.

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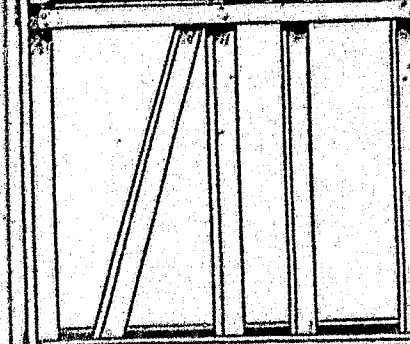
THE DAIRY

GOOD STANCHION FASTENER.

is Simple, Easily Made, and Never Falls to Hold.

The cattle stanchion I use, as shown in the accompanying sketch, is simple and easily made, and never falls to hold, writes a correspondent of Prairie Farmer.

The top pieces of the stanchions are made of 2x4 stuff. The loose bar is



Wire Loop for Fastening Stanchion, cut at an angle of 45 degrees at the top and should be long enough to extend about 1½ inches above the top pieces.

C is a loop made of No. 9 wire about nine inches long with a hook bent at right angles on each end. These are fastened to the top pieces with fence staples so as to hold the bar in proper place when closed. A shows the stanchion open and B closed.

DAIRY SCHOOL COURSE.

It is Absolutely Essential to the Man Who Would Run Creamery.

The day is past when a full-fledged butter or cheese maker could be produced in two or three months, and even an apprenticeship of a year in a good factory is not any longer considered sufficient for the man who is to take charge of a creamery or cheese factory, and do the right thing by his employer.

In these days of strong competition, it is absolutely necessary for the butter and cheese maker to be as well informed as it is possible for him to be in order to hold his own, and a course at one of the dairy schools will mean a great help to him; in fact, he is seriously handicapped without such a course. That is not saying that the old butter and cheese maker, who never went to a dairy school, is not in many cases as competent as the one who did, says the Northwestern Agriculturalist, he is oftentimes so, and it should be remembered that he started in when the factory way of making butter and cheese was quite a new one, and by keeping his eyes open and doing more or less experimenting at the expense of his employer, he was enabled to make of himself a first-class man. Many of his class today realize the importance of a dairy school course, and, as of late years, a goodly number of the students in the school this winter will be found to be old, experienced makers. Surely, if such men can and do derive any benefit from a dairy school course, the younger men derives still more.

Quite Contented.

The motorist was stopped by a policeman, the light on the car being in sufficient. He gave his card to the officer. "John Smith," read the man in blue. "Go on with you! I want your proper name and address. We've too many Smiths about here. Now talk sharp!"

"Then," said the motorist, "it was last year it was William Shakespeare. Stratford-on-Avon!"

"Thank you sir!" replied the policeman. "Sorry to have troubled you. And be carefully entered the position on his book."

It Tastes Good and Creates Strength.

Vinol

the famous cod liver and iron medicine, without oil. Vinol is much better than cod liver oil and emulsions, because, while it contains all the medicinal value they do, it disagrees with no one.

As a body builder and strength creator for old people, delicate children, after sickness, and for stubborn coughs and colds Vinol is unequalled.

W. E. BOSSERMAN, Druggist, Bethel.

RAMSHACKLE DAIRYING.

It is the Kind That Does Not Pay—Get Good Cows.

No one would keep a hired man who had lost his wages, yet it is fully as unbusinesslike to keep cows that will not pay for the food they consume, declares Farm and Home. Many of us just aim to keep a certain number of cows. When we dispose of one we purchase another to fill the vacancy. She may be better than the one sold, but the probabilities are that she is not so good.

As to bred, some are Durhams, some Herefords, some Jerseys and some grades. We breed one year to a Durham, the next to a Jersey and the next to any mongrel that happens to be convenient, because the service fee is less. Each breed has its merits fully admitted by all fair minded men, but one of the greatest evils against which we have to contend is the tendency to cross the breeds. In pioneer days it was often unavoidable, but in this day it is entirely wrong.

Good Butter in Demand.

The average country storekeeper

can hardly get his hands on enough good butter to supply the demand. There was a time when country butter was a drug on the market, but that time has passed now. Perhaps the buying and shipping of cream is in a measure responsible.

Washing Butter.

The time to wash out the butter-milk from butter is when it has reached the granular stage. Good butter comes not by any chance, but from good feed, properly separating the cream and careful churning. The cream should always be churned when ready.

BUTTER COLORS.

A Good Thing for the Farm Butter Maker to Let Alone.

Butter colors are a good thing for the farm butter maker to let alone, declares the Farmers' Review. Some of the coloring compounds that have been put on the market in the past have been made of coal tar, and without doubt many butter colors are still on the market that are made from this material. Colors derived from coal tar are supposed to be poisonous, and some of the states have prohibited their use.

But even if they are harmless, it is better to let them alone. Skill is required in their use, and it is difficult for the unskilled butter-maker to get the same shade of color in different batches of butter. In the creamery it is different, as so much butter is made that the use of the coloring matter can be reduced to exact proportions.

In the creamery, milk is received from all kinds of patrons and all kinds of cows, and the artificial coloring makes it possible to turn out a uniform product day by day. So the use of a vegetable coloring matter in the creamery can hardly be condemned; for by it alone is a uniformity of color possible.

But on any single farm the color of the butter will be uniform, as the milk comes from the same cows all the time. Cows differ greatly as to the color of their cream. With some cows it is of a very deep yellow color, and with other cows it is so light as to be almost colorless. The color factor is largely a matter of breeding. A man can improve the color of his butter by using for breeders only the cows that produce milk of good color.

It is true, however, that some of the best Durham cows produce cream very light in color, and when a man has a good cow of this kind he cannot afford to discard her, just because of the lightness of the color of her butter-fat. He can help himself by keeping other cows that will make up for the deficiency.

The color of farm butter is a matter of sentiment only, and with some consumers it counts for nothing. While a man has private customers for his butter, he will have no trouble on account of color, so long as he lets artificial coloring matter alone. If a person is selling butter on the open market, the possession of a good color does go some distance in securing sales.

If after all a farmer determines to use butter colors in the making up of his farm butter he should reduce its use to a science and learn to always use the same proportion. This is not an easy thing to do; for it is hard to use little enough of the butter color in a small batch of butter.

The feed of the cows has some bearing on the color of the butter, and it is this that gives to June butter its high color. The cows are at that time receiving a very full ration of succulent green grass, and in the butter-fat as yellow as a pronounced shade. Good clover hay cured in a way to retain its original green color helps some in keeping fall and winter butter of a good color.

CARE OF MANURE.

One Farmer Who Has Put a Manure Bin in Cow Stable.

Not being blessed with a very fertile soil, we have learned by experience the value of fertility, writes an

WOMEN'S WOES.

Maine Women are Finding Relief at Last.

It does seem that women have more than a fair share of the aches and pains that afflict humanity; they must "keep up," must attend to duties in spite of constantly aching backs, or headaches, dizzy spells, bearing down pains; they must stoop over, when to stoop means torture. They must walk and bend and work with aching pains and many aches from kidney ills. Kidneys cause more suffering than any other organ of the body. Keep the kidneys well and health is easily maintained. Read of a remedy for kidneys only that helps and cures the kidneys and is endorsed by people you know.

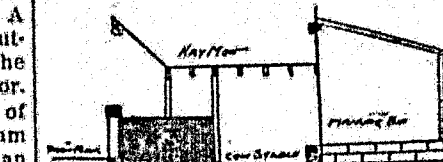
Mrs. Marie Evans, living at 706 Prospect Ave., Rumford Falls, Me., says: "I was a sufferer from kidney trouble for years. The kidney secretions were very unnatural, and I was scarcely ever free from pains in the small of my back. I also had dull headaches, lacked energy and felt generally miserable. I was always taking medicine but nothing ever proved of as much benefit to me as Doan's Kidney Pills."

For sale by all dealers. Price 50 cents. Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, New York, sole agents for the United States.

Remember the name—Doan's—and take no other.

Ohio Farmer in Agricultural Epitaph.

We have constructed a new cow stable in one end of our barn. As shown by sketch we use the swinging stanchion, and by the way our partitions between stalls are of heavy woven wire fencing, which admits



Cow Stall and Manure.

more light. We like them very much. Our gutter behind the cows is of cement. On the outside adjoining the barn we have a manure bin. It is 8x16 feet in size. The floor and the sides to a height of two feet are also of concrete. Above this, boards are used, except a space in the middle, which is left open for convenience in loading. This could be closed with doors if desired. We keep our horses in box stalls and haul the manure from them direct to the field. By the liberal use of bedding and absorbents we hope to make more and better manure.

DAIRY NOTES.

Germs, it is said, multiply faster in pasteurized milk than in any other kind. Therefore keep the pasteurized milk in a cool place and use it as soon as possible.

Never use the milk utensils for anything but milk.

There never was a dairyman yet who could offer an excuse for keeping scrub cows in his herd. The reason is very simple; there is no excuse.

At present high prices the dairyman should raise as much of his own feed as possible.

If cows that are well fed and properly cared for do not prove profitable, dispose of them and get others.

In building up the herd it will be found the fall fresh cow is the best and so is the fall calf the best to buy. Don't use cheap milk in making butter. The milk that is the barrel kind is too coarse.

At the Red Cross

Hot Drinks
Tea,
Coffee,
Chocolate,
Malted Clam,
And many specialties,
Hot Egg Drinks.

Sandwiches
Devilled Ham,
Potted Beef,
Sardine,
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Ice Cream all Winter.

RED CROSS PHARMACY, BOWERS & VALLEE CO.
MAIL ORDERS PROMPTLY FILLED.

TO OUR PATRONS:

Our reflections upon the year 1908 just closing, inspire us to greater endeavors for the year to come, and also with feelings of gratitude to all our many friends and patrons who have bestowed upon us their confidence and friendship in the past.

We cordially solicit your esteemed favors for the future, with the assurance of our desire to promote your satisfaction by giving you the best service and utmost values in our power. Wishing you a "Prosperous New Year," we are,

Very sincerely yours,

GONYA BROS. CO. 95 Congress Street, RUMFORD, MAINE.

Commission Merchants.

The advertisements below represent some of the leading houses of New England. Our readers will doubtless find this column valuable.

APPLES WANTED

We are netting \$2.50 a barrel for NUMBER ONE BALDWIN and GREENING and SPIES. Prospects good.

PROVIDENCE BROKERAGE CO.

Providence, R. I.
9-17-08
HALL & COLE
Fruit and Produce Commission Merchants. Apples and Cranberries our specialties.
100-102 FANEUIL HALL MARKET, BOSTON.

HOLDEN EGGS.
Established 1888.
PREMIUM PRICES Paid for Fancy Store and Hominy Eggs, Fine Creamery and Dairy Butter. We also have a steady demand for Fine Poultry, Fancy Apples, etc. Give us your consignments.
15 Market St., Boston, Mass.
9-17-08

SHIP YOUR APPLES.
POTATOES, EGGS, POULTRY, GAME, BERRIES, Etc., to Chapin Bros., Mass.
Boston, 9-17-08.

LIVE POULTRY WANTED.
Broilers a specialty.
Standard Poultry Coops. Prompt Returns at Top Market prices. Strictly Commission.
BOSTON LIVE POULTRY CO.
Ref. 4th Nat'l Bank.
11-79 Fulton St., Boston.
9-17-08

POULTRY WANTED.
HYDE, WHEELER CO.
(Established 1884).
41 North Market St., Boston, Mass.
Can get top market prices and will make prompt returns for
VEAL - LAMB - POULTRY - EGGS
Better and Farm Produce.
Market reports, tags, shipping certificates, stencils, etc., furnished free.
STRICTLY COMMISSION. 9-17-08.

APPLES WANTED.
Premium paid for strictly fancy apples.
The receivers Poultry, Eggs and all Farm Produce.
Prompt Returns.
BOURNE & CO., INC.
104 1st St., Boston, Mass.

VEAL AND POULTRY WANTED.
PROMPT RETURNS.
F. J. WESTON CO, New Faneuil Hall Market, Boston.
Shipping tags furnished on application.
TRY US On Your Shipments of Apples, Potatoes, Live Poultry, etc.
IMMEDIATE RETURNS.
W. W. BENJAMIN, Mass.
9-17-08.

WANTED FRESH EGGS.
Premium paid for hennery eggs. Best prices, give us a trial.
Prompt Returns.
F. M. BILL CO.,
Boston, Mass.

Importers. Wholesale Grocers and Commission Merchants.
9-17-08.

POULTRY WANTED.
James Bryden Co., Inc.
The Corner Commission House Established 1886, 41 North Market St., Boston, Mass.
Can get top market prices for Veal, Lamb, Live and Dressed Poultry, Butter, Eggs and Farm Produce. We supply you with market reports, shipping tags, stencils, etc., and return your empties free.
Prompt and honest returns guaranteed.
10-22-13.

LIVE POULTRY WANTED.
We are paying 12 cents to 20 cents per lb. for pullets, 10 cents to 12 cents for hens, 12 cents to 15 cents for chickens. Immediate returns. Eggs wanted. No Commission.
The Park & Pollard Co.,
10 Canal St., Boston, Mass.
10-22-13.

APPLES.
If you can do a Nice Clean Job Packing Apples, we can do just as clean a job selling these apples. Let's get together. What's your name?
G. B. Houghton & Co.,
10 Clinton St., Boston.
10-22-13.

MEXICO AND RIDLONVILLE.**The Week's News as Gathered by our Special Correspondent**

Alonso Richards and two sons, Clarence and Ralph returned Saturday on a week's trip to Belmont. Mr. and Mrs. B. W. Goodwin and daughter returned Saturday from Kennebunk, where they have been the guests of her parents during the holidays. Miss Pearl Dalley of Livermore Falls is visiting her father, Seldon Dalley, for a few days.

Archer Packard and family spent Christmas day as the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Archie Gleason. Miss Josephine Kidder came home from Dixfield to spend Christmas with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Adolph Kidder. Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Kidder of Portland also were guests of their parents at Christmas.

Charles Koye is suffering of an attack of the grip. Mr. David Richards spent Christmas with his daughter in Andover. Miss Angie Grover went to Andover last week to spend two weeks with her parents.

The Ladies' Sewing Circle of the Baptist church were entertained this week Wednesday afternoon by Mrs. L. H. McCollister. Wm. Wagner came home Thursday from the Nickel Mine, where he is working, to spend the holidays with his family.

Mrs. F. A. Parsons spent Thursday in Lewiston. S. D. Packard is hauling wood for W. S. Crommett from his wood lot on Thompson Hill.

Miss Sylvia Kelley is working in the postal card department of the Oxford mill.

The Ladies' Aid Society of the Congregational church met Tuesday afternoon at the home of the President, Mrs. W. L. Wescott.

Mrs. Hannah Holt of South Paris is the guest of her daughter, Mrs. Eugene Dorr.

Next Sunday being the first Sunday of the New Year of 1909, Communion will be observed at the Congregational church in the morning.

George Hall came home Thursday night from West Paris, to spend Christmas with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Hall.

Shirley Brown has moved his family from the O. P. Smith house into the front vacated by Nat. Dumpy on Mexico Ave.

Henry Holt, who has been ill of diphtheria, is getting along nicely and the quarantine is to be removed Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Gilbert spent a few days at Christmas time with his parents in Canton.

John Dodd, who has been working at Grand Mere, Canada, returned home Christmas night.

Beginning with the Sunday evening service, January 3rd, the Baptist church will observe the week of prayer with meetings every evening that week except Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Leon Small and daughter Clarice spent Christmas as the guests of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Thayer of Dixfield.

Miss Edith Vandenberg returned Saturday night from the Lewiston Hospital, where she has been with her mother, who went through a critical operation last week. Mrs. Vandenberg is getting along nicely, having had no set backs thus far.

Hiram Richards has sold his ice business to W. A. Given as he is busily engaged in cutting ice.

Mr. and Mrs. Burgess of Smithville, were the guests of Mrs. Mary E. Gleason at dinner, Sunday.

Basil Gleason is suffering from the effects of a falling accident. As with all boys the higher and steeper the hill the better, and he attempted the steep

hill in back of E. H. Dorr's store on his double runner. He was thrown off and crashed into a fence, badly cutting his limb, laying open the flesh to the bone. The other boys carried him home and medical assistance was called to dress the wound, which was a bad one and it will be a number of days before he will be able to step upon his foot.

The Christmas service at the Congregational church Sunday was observed with the cantata, "Redeemer and King," by a very fine chorus. The music was especially pretty and each one deserves special mention for the fine rendering of their parts, especially Mr. F. A. Parsons who has drilled and directed the chorus. The first part of the service was taken up with the cantata, scripture reading and prayer followed by a helpful and beautiful sermon by the pastor, Rev. J. G. Fisher on the Christmas message "Peace on earth good will to men." The cantata was again repeated in the evening.

Philosophy. There were about twenty in the chorus; the sopranos, Miss Edith Vandenberg, Mrs. Maurice Burgess, Mrs. Edgar Stevens, Mrs. McKinnon, Mrs. Burnside and Miss Sylvia Kelley; the altos, Mrs. Mary Gleason, Mrs. F. F. Bales, Mrs. W. N. Hodgson, Mrs. Cecil Pierce; tenors, P. A. Parsons, Rev. J. G. Fisher, N. L. Keene, Maurice Burgess, Mr. Nichols; bass, John Harlow, H. J. Binford, Burnside Wescott. The platform was simply but effectively decorated with a star and crescent over the center of the platform and Christmas bells above, all lighted with colored electric lights, which made it very beautiful in the evening.

The regular meeting of the Swift River Grange with the annual election of officers was held Saturday evening at Mechanics Hall. The following officers were chosen:

Master—Mr. A. K. Goff.
Overseer—Mr. W. A. Given.
Lecturer—Mrs. J. N. Braden.
Steward—Mr. J. N. Braden.
Asst. Steward—Mr. H. J. Haines.
Chaplain—Mrs. Wm. Pratt.
Treasurer—Mr. Ira T. Wing.
Secretary—Miss Myrtle Braden.
Gate Keeper—Mr. Virgil Whitman.
Cores—Mrs. A. K. Goff.
Pomona—Mrs. W. A. Given.
Flora—Mrs. I. T. Wing.

At the last meeting of John A. Hodges Post, No. 71, G. A. R., the following officers were elected to serve the coming year: Com. E. W. Buckley; S. V. L., Pulaski Lodge; J. V. G. G. F. Towle; Adj., B. A. Barrows; Q. M., Robert Sweet; Sur. G. W. Moore; Chap. J. M. Shackley; O. D. G. K. Johnson; O. G. W. F. Mitchell. The installation will occur in January.

Oscar Childs of Hallowell has been the guest of J. K. Forhan and wife. O. C. Russell and wife of Livermore Falls have been the guests of C. F. Oldham and family for several days.

The Ladies' Aid have elected the following officers for the year 1909: Pres. Mrs. John Taylor; Vice Pres., Mrs. C. W. Thompson; Sec., Mrs. Ellen Gooding; Treas., Mrs. E. M. Oliver, Chaplain, Mrs. Nathaniel Thomas, Executive Committee, Mrs. Bernard Christophers and Mrs. M. B. Packard.

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Miss Jennie Barrows will go to Waverly, Mass., Thursday of this week where she will enter a hospital to train for a nurse.

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J. K. Forhan is able to be out.

At Buckfield, Wednesday evening, Dec. 23rd, the marriage of Arthur Jacobs of Hartford and Della Jordan of Buckfield was solemnized.

The following officers were elected at the last regular meeting of Peabody Rebekah Lodge, No. 28, I. O. O. F.: N. G., Gladys L. Walte; V. G., Carrie E. Hayford; Rec. Sec., Mrs. W. A. Lucas; Fin. Sec., Mrs. C. S. Mitchell; Treas., Mrs. Georgia Blanchard; Trustees, Mrs. H. T. Tirrell 1st, Mrs. W. B. Gilbert 2nd, Abbie C. Bicknell 3rd. At the close of the meeting a fine Christmas entertainment was given to which friends of the order were invited. The entertainment consisted of piano solos, duets, violin solo, choruses, recitations, etc., and was much enjoyed by all. After the entertainment a short time was passed in sociability, games played by the children and confectionery served. The hall was beautifully and appropriately decorated for the occasion with green and red crepe paper and holly.

Loietta Russell of Oakland was spending a short time with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Russell and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Leon standing will soon move to the rent in the Gammam house vacated by Mrs. Elizabeth Standley.

At the last meeting of John A. Hodges Post, No. 71, G. A. R., the following officers were elected to serve the coming year: Com. E. W. Buckley; S. V. L., Pulaski Lodge; J. V. G. G. F. Towle; Adj., B. A. Barrows; Q. M., Robert Sweet; Sur. G. W. Moore; Chap. J. M. Shackley; O. D. G. K. Johnson; O. G. W. F. Mitchell. The installation will occur in January.

Oscar Childs of Hallowell has been the guest of J. K. Forhan and wife. O. C. Russell and wife of Livermore Falls have been the guests of C. F. Oldham and family for several days.

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"The automobilist was a standin' still all right," acknowledges the constable, "but his engine was runnin' full blast, an' it sounded just like they do when they go 40 miles an hour."

"But my machine was not moving! Judge, this is preposterous!"

"The evidence is all against you," coldly decides the justice. "Twenty dollars and costs. This is not the time or place for idle technicalities!"—Judge.

NOT VERY POPULAR.



"Does your daughter play popular music?"
"Guess not. All the neighbors close their windows when she starts to practice."

Favoritism.
Why may trait blossoms, to delight the eye,
Narrow rich colors from the sun on high,
While all according to superior sense
In nature, freedom of thought and light?

WEST PARIS.

VILLAGE CHRISTMAS TREE.

The Finns, and their Celebration of Christmas.

Universalist Sunday School elects Officers.

The village union Christmas tree was well attended on Christmas eve and was at Centennial Hall. The village children played games and were given a lunch and at 7:30 there was a short program following which the gifts were distributed.

Twenty or twenty-five went from here on Friday evening to North Paris to their Christmas tree and exercises.

Several of our citizens were interested spectators at the Finn Christmas tree and celebration on the evening of Christmas day. This was held at Dunham's Hall and 60 or more Finns were present. A tree was placed in the hall and attractively decorated and several lighted candles were placed on the ends of the branches. There were no presents exchanged, but articles were sold for the benefit of their Lutheran church services, which are held once a month at the Baptist church. There was also an admission fee at the door. There was no special program but Christmas songs were sung, by an attractive young Finn woman dressed in white, in which the only distinguishable word to the American listeners was "Hallelujah," and games were played quite similar to our American custom. In one game which was like our "On the green carpet," the most of the young people joined hands in a large circle in the center of the hall all singing a bright pretty song, the words apparently having some significance in the game. The young lady chose her partner out of the ring by tying a handkerchief on his arm, and after walking around with him they parted with a handshake, and another had the same opportunity. The evening closed with dancing some of which is surprisingly like our American ways. Music was furnished by Elias McKee on violin and accordion.

Sunday afternoon at the Baptist church an audience of Finns was addressed by the Secretary of the Home Missionary Society with a young Finn woman as interpreter. It is estimated that about 40 Finn families are located within a radius of 5 or 6 miles from West Paris village and a large number of young men besides who work as winter wood choppers, farm hands, etc. More Finns are constantly arriving and it seems that we have an immigrant problem near at hand. As a rule our people are very kindly disposed toward these strangers, as they appear peaceable, mind their own affairs and are honest and industrious—two sterling virtues which sometimes might be imitated with profit by our American citizens. It would be very helpful to the Finns if they could be educated in English to some extent, for the most of them are here to remain and make permanent homes and if they will be wise enough to avoid some of the little evils which beset American society as well as the world at large, we predict that they will be among the most valuable American citizens in the immigrant class, which is as great a problem in our country today. Like the Swede colony in Arundel they have a born instinct for a successful farmer and have taken up and are putting under cultivation 20 or more abandoned or neglected farms and many of them are becoming richly prosperous. The Finns leave their home land because of Russian oppression and heavy taxation making a prosperous home an impossibility for the working classes, and the young men move secretly to avoid being drafted for a three years service in the Russian army. The nature of the case is such that Americans instinctively sympathize with them, and as they are here to stay, if our citizens will take some helpful interest in them, there seems no need that in any way they shall become a menace to society. Their children, who appear bright and attractive will be educated in our public schools and we hope will prove to be good citizens. They are not immigrants because they desire to become Americans and learn American customs.

Last Sunday officers were elected for the coming year in the Universalist Sunday School as follows: Superintendent—Rev. I. S. Maclellan. Vice Superintendent—Mrs. Ella M. Bates.

Secretary—Miss Jennie L. Bradbury. Treasurer—Mrs. Dora M. Jackson. Trustees—Mrs. Geneva G. Thell. Sabbath School—Miss Eva Tucker. The membership of the school has increased the past year and there is a large circle roll of nearly 60 children. The Universalist Good Will Society met Wednesday afternoon of this week at Mrs. J. Frank Reed.

Mr. Jacob P. Curtis is seriously ill. Nathan Brook and family have moved into the upstairs room in A. B. Ford.

DIXFIELD ITEMS.

The Happenings of the Week as gathered by the Citizen Reporter.

At the annual meeting of Mt. Sugar Loaf Grange held Saturday, Dec. 26th the following officers were elected: Mrs. Ava E. Eastman—Master, Willis Dunham—Overseer, Ervin Taylor—Steward, Mrs. C. G. Luce—Lecturer, Manley White—Asst. Steward, P. W. Torrey—Treasurer, Mrs. Melissa Brackett—Secretary, Mrs. Vesta Masterman—Cores, Mrs. Alma Rose—Pomona, Mrs. Willis Dunham—Flora, Miss Grace Dunning—L. A. Steward, Fred Hammadford—Gate Keeper.

A picnic dinner was served in banquet hall and a very pleasant time was enjoyed by all present. Music was furnished by the choir during the afternoon exercises.

The services at both churches Sunday were well attended. Rev. E. S. Longley's theme was the unchangeable Laws of God, from the words "I have written what I have written." The duet by Messrs. Longley and Walters was much appreciated. A very helpful discourse was that of Rev. W. E. Gaskin from the following text "There will be no more death," etc. The music by the chorus choir was deserving of appreciation and much praise.

The funeral service of Mrs. Harlow, widow of the late Thomas Harlow, formerly of Leeds, was held at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Orson Merrill on Main street Tuesday a. m. Rev. W. E. Gaskin officiating. The deceased had been an invalid for years having a fractured hip and had not been able to walk without the aid of crutches for nearly twenty years. She had been with her daughter only a few weeks, having resided in Jay the past few years with another daughter. Her age was 83 years.

Mr. Wm. Frost met with a very painful accident last Saturday while working at Holt Bros., having his right hand caught in the printing press, crushing it so that it is doubtful if it can be saved. This accident makes it hard for Mr. Frost as he has a large family depending on his daily wages for their support.

The funeral services of Mr. Fred Casey, whose death occurred Thursday of last week, was held at his late home on Weld Street, Sunday a. m., Rev. W. E. Gaskin officiating. The service was conducted by the Wilton Lodge F. & A. M., of which he was a member. He leaves a widow, two children and a mother. He was a young man, only thirty-two years of age, and much needed in his home, and while we cannot understand the sad things of this life, we can think, "When earth's sorrows are all over and the mist have cleared away, Face to face with those who love us we shall stand some happy day. With life's problems solved before us, heart to heart and hand to hand, With eternal sunshine o'er us, some sweet day we'll understand."

Mr. and Mrs. E. C. McLean of Berry Mills were in town Saturday.

The citizens in town were saddened to hear of the death of Mr. Hiram M. Cox, which occurred Thursday of last week at Hot Springs, Ark. Mr. Cox was a former resident of this village and a highly respected citizen. He had made his home in Poland the past 12 years, being in trade there. He had been in poor health the past year and went to Hot Springs to remain for the winter, hoping the change in climate would be beneficial to his health. He leaves a widow, a daughter, Mrs. Alice Lynch of Washington and a son, Mr. Lester Cox, now residing in California. His age was 68 years.

Mr. Geo. Atwood and family of Paris were with relatives in town Christmas.

Mrs. Margaret White, Mr. J. G. Tuell's house.

There will be a New Years ball at Dunham's Hall Thursday evening, Dec. 31. Music by three pieces and refreshments at intermission.

Next Sunday, Jan. 3, at the usual hour the Baptist society will have a preaching service. Rev. L. W. Raymond will be present or furnish a substitute.

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Lamada have moved and are getting settled in their new home on their farm recently purchased of J. Allen Dieckhoff.

Mr. and Mrs. C. G. Morton spent Christmas with relatives at South Paris. Mr. L. M. Irish and Mr. H. H. Ward, well with their families enjoyed Christmas with relatives and friends at Beckfield.

Hearse coughs and stuffy colds that may develop into pneumonia over night are quickly cured by Foley's Honey and Tar, as is soother inflamed membranes, heals the lungs, and expels the cold from the system. W. B. Bowers, Bethel, Chas. V. Fernald, Rum-

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Mix some and give it a trial. It certainly comes highly recommended. It is the prescription of an eminent authority, whose entire reputation, it is said, was established by it.

A druggist here at home, when asked, stated that he could either supply the ingredients or mix the prescription for our readers, also recommends it as harmless.

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Mrs. Lucretia Brackett and son, Mrs. Sarah Ballou, dined with Mrs. David Atkins on Christmas.

Rev. H. M. Daniels of Orlowton, Me. was in town last week the guest of Mr. Cox.

Janet Stewart and Harold March from Bowdoin, Elsie Reed and Dady Bingham from North Normal and John Stanley from Westbrook are spending the holiday vacation at their homes.

Mrs. Matilda Danmore from East Wilton, is spending a few days with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. J. Tucker.

Mr. A. D. Wentworth has been in town, with his family, and will be the past two weeks selling sleighs.

Mrs. Lillian Severy was called to Peru last week to attend the funeral service of her nephew, Archie Dargan.

Miss Mildred Newton visited her sister, Mrs. Ernest Davenport, last week in Peru.

Miss Lillian Howe of Canton is at work in the pick mill here.

The Christmas exercises at both churches were well rendered by the little folks, and all those taking part. The music by the chorus choir at Universalist church Thursday evening was deserving of much praise as also was the duet by Messrs. Longley and Walters at the P. B. church Friday evening.

There were trees at both churches and Santa Claus was out with his usual amount of toys and good things for the little folks as well as the older ones.

PARKER'S HAIR BALM
This balm is made of the best of oils and is of great value in restoring the hair to its natural color and condition. It is also a good remedy for itching scalp and dandruff. It is sold by all druggists and is a household necessity.

IDEAS FOR GARNISH

TASTEFUL TRIMMING OF PLATTERS IMPORTANT.

Some New Ideas That Have Met with Popular Approval—Floating Island a Delicate Dessert and Universally Liked.

The tasteful trimming of platters of meat gives style to a dinner. The usual garnishes of parsley and lemon are very well, and one may buy little tin horns to make ornamental borders of potatoes and rose tubes. Press hot seasoned potatoes through a rose tube on to a buttered tin, brush with egg yolk and delicately broil in a hot oven.

Floating island with lady fingers is a delicate dessert that everyone likes. Its flavor depends on the taste of the housekeeper—almonds, orange or lemon being equally popular. Soak one ounce of gelatine and the thin yellow rind of two lemons in one pint of cold water for an hour. Take out the rind, add one breakfast cupful of white sugar and the juice of three lemons. Stir over the fire until the sugar and gelatine are thoroughly dissolved, then pour the mixture into a bowl and let it stand until it begins to get firm. Beat the whites of two large fresh eggs to a stiff snow, then add them to the gelatine, beating the whole until it is quite firm and "rocky" in appearance. Pipe it unevenly in the center of a glass dish, put cocoanut macaroons or fresh lady fingers around the base, and pour around it a cold rich yellow boiled custard.

Melt three tablespoonfuls of butter in a hot saucepan and cook it till it is a dark brown; break into it carefully four eggs or more; do not let them break; baste them with the butter as they cook, and when done put in half a teaspoonful of vinegar, salt and pepper, and a teaspoonful of chopped parsley.

The big white onions are now in the market. They are good stewed, baked or fried, and a novel way is to stuff them. The Delineator recipe says: "Take two large onions and remove the outside skin carefully and neatly; cut the root and the stalk and oven. Take all the center out of the onions except three or four of the outer coats, taking care not to make a hole at the bottom; if a hole is accidentally made, it must be filled up with the bit that came out. Put four tablespoonfuls of chopped cooked meat into a bowl, add half a cupful of grated bread, one teaspoonful of flour, two tablespoonfuls of milk, and salt and pepper to taste. Fill the two onions with this stuffing and put on the M. Place them in a small saucepan, pour in a cupful of stock or water, and stew the onions gently for one hour. Serve on a hot dish, with the gravy poured round them."

Shepherd's Pie. One quart of small thin pieces of cold boiled or roast beef. Season with salt and pepper, put into a buttered earthen dish and pour over it this sauce, two scant tablespoonfuls flour, stir together till brown. Add one pint hot water, stir and boil three minutes. Spread over the top the following mixture: Eight good-sized potatoes, boiled and mashed, one cup boiling milk, one tablespoon butter, salt and pepper to taste. Bake 25 minutes. I add chopped onion to the meat, but some might not care for that.

Pigeon Pie. Short crust, light and flaky. Butter a pudding dish, place crust around sides and edge. Place a tender piece of steak, seasoned with salt and pepper, at bottom of dish. Place birds feet up, with butter, salt and pepper inside each. Sprinkle over them their chopped livers and parsley. Small pieces of ham on each bird, add half pint good gravy and add gizzards; cover with crust, cutting holes in center for feet. Brush over with egg or lard. Bake one and a half hours.

Potato Balls. Mash some four potatoes quite smooth, season with pepper and salt, add fresh butter until sufficiently moist, but not too much so; make into balls, roll them in vermicelli crumbled or bread crumbs. In the latter case they may be fried with the yolk of egg; fry them a nice brown. Serve them on a napkin or round a dish of mashed potatoes which has not been molded.

Baked Veal Cutlet. Butter a baking pan, and pour into it a cupful of cold water. Lay in this a thick slice of veal cutlet. Spread over this a dressing made of two cupfuls of bread crumbs, a chopped onion, a beaten egg, and salt, pepper and melted butter. Cover the baking pan, bake for 30 minutes and then remove the cover and brown.

Squash Pie. Two cups of boiled, drained and mashed squash, put through potato ricer or beat; two beaten eggs, one cup of milk, one cup of sugar, stir together until blended. Put in plate covered with crust, grate butter on top, bake on floor of moderate oven until firm.

Pie Crust. If a little baking powder is sifted with the flour of which pie crust is made it will be more healthful and require less shortening.

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DISHES OF CHICKEN

SOME EXCELLENT WAYS OF PREPARING THEM.

Serve Jellied is a Favorite with Many Housewives—Paties Made of the Meat Well Minced—Delicious Pot Pie.

Jellied Chicken.—Boil a fowl until it will slip easily from the bones; let the water be reduced to about one pint in boiling; pick the meat from the bones in good-sized pieces, taking out all gristle, fat and bones; place in a wet mold; skim the fat from the liquor; a little butter, pepper, and salt to taste, and one-half can of gelatin. When this dissolves pour it hot over the chicken. The liquor must be seasoned pretty highly, for the chicken absorbs.

Chicken Patties.—Mince chicken that has been previously roasted or boiled and season well; stir into this a sauce made of half a pint of milk, into which while boiling a teaspoonful of cornstarch has been added to thicken; season with butter, about a teaspoonful, and salt and pepper to taste. Have ready small patty pans lined with a good puff paste. Bake the crust in a brisk oven; then fill the pans and set in the oven a few minutes to brown slightly.

Chicken Pot Pie.—Skin and cut the fowls into joints, and put the neck, legs and backbones in a stew pan, with a little water, an onion, a bunch of savory herbs, and a blade of mace; let these stew for an hour, and when done, strain off the liquor. This is for gravy. Put a layer of fowl at the bottom of a pie dish, then a layer of ham, then one of force meat and hard-boiled eggs cut in rings; between the layers put a seasoning of pounded mace, nutmeg, pepper and salt. Pour in about half a pint of water, border the edge of dish with pie crust, put

on the cover, ornament the top and glaze it by brushing over it the yolk of an egg. Bake for about an hour at a half, and when done, pour in at the top the gravy made from the bones.

Dressing.—Rub the yolks of two hard-boiled eggs to a smooth paste, with a dessertspoonful of salad oil, or melted butter; add to it two teaspoonfuls of made mustard and a small teaspoonful of fine white sugar, and put to it gradually (stirring it in), a large cup of strong vinegar. Make a wreath of the most delicate leaves of the celery around the edge of the dish, between it and the chicken; pour the dressing over the chicken when ready to serve; if the dressing is poured over too soon it will discolor the celery. White lettuce heads may be used for the nest instead of celery.

Mrs. De Quis—Is your son doing well in college?
Mrs. De White—No; he got a sprained ankle at football and has to study.

A Repeater.
History repeats a bit,
Says the rumor,
And we may as well admit,
So does humor. —Puck.

Brief, but Expressive.
School Teacher—Johnny, I hear that you have two little twin sisters at your house this morning.
Johnny—Yes, ma'am; and we've got names for 'em, too.

School teacher—Why, how nice! I suppose one of them is to be named after your mamma; but what is she going to call the other?
Johnny—No; they ain't got girl names. Pa called them "Thunder and Lightning" as soon as he heard about them. —Judge.

Scared an Him.
Mr. Tye-Phist—Talk about women having any capacity for dealing with financial questions! Have you any idea, for instance, how much money is in circulation in this country?

Mrs. Tye-Phist—I presume it's all in circulation—except what you happen to get hold of. —Chicago Tribune.

POULTRY AND BEES

ONE BEEKEEPER'S PLAN.

Deep Space Under Brood-Frames; Queen-Mating Early in Spring.

In experimenting on how much space should be allowed under brood-frames I have used this season the regular A or Danzenbaker bottom and B style bottoms, 1 1/2, three and four inches deep. The Danzenbaker bottom gives traces of wax; the 1 1/2 inch B bottom gave one inch of comb built below the bottom-bars; three and four inches gave clean bottom-bars, says a writer in Bee Culture. I think these experiments tend to prove it advisable to use a frame about three inches deep between the brood-chamber and the bottom-board. While this is true of summer I have no doubt it is also true of winter, giving more ventilation and protection from frost, especially if arranged so bees and air must pass from front to rear of hive before entering the brood-nest. Now to prevent the increase in bee appliances I intend to



Diagram of the Plan.

place escape-boards, with the escapes removed, between the three-inch frame and bottom-board, giving the bees a central entrance and three inches of space under the brood-combs, with a vent-hole of the bottom-board. See illustration.

LAW OF BREEDING.

Why Scrubs are Bound to prove Unsatisfactory.

The reason that scrubs always prove unsatisfactory may be better understood by considering the relation which they bear to certain laws of breeding. These laws hold good whether with plants or animals, whether with birds or beasts. The law of inheritance that "like begets like" means that certain characteristics of a parent are inherited by the offspring, and the apparent contradictory law, the law of variation, that "like begets unlike," means that every offspring differs from its parents to some extent. If a variety of fowl has been bred pure for a great number of generations and in every generation only those allowed to live which conform to a certain type, the resulting offspring are very likely to possess a uniformity of type and characteristics similar to that in the birds which have been used for breeding through the previous generations. A bird resulting from such a line of breeding is preposterous, which implies that it has the power to impart its own likeness upon its offspring. If two birds each of distinct lines of breeding be mated there is a conflict. The characteristics of each breed strive to assert themselves with the result that one of the other may not be in evidence, or the offspring may possess the character of some remote ancestor. This is not so true of the first cross as it is of succeeding ones, but in any case the benefit of the long line of careful breeding is lost. Theories of the improvement of a stock by the introduction of the blood of another breed are disproved every time a cross is made. To breed pure is to make birds of the same breed, and to make cross-breeds means the production of scrubs, and to attempt successful poultry breeding with scrubs results in a decided failure. Poultry Bulletin No. 1, Province of Alberta.

RAISING DUCKS.

One of the Most Profitable Branches of Poultry Culture.

Modern market-duck culture is devoted almost exclusively to the production of "green" ducks. That means ducklings which are to be marketed at ten or twelve weeks of age. At this period in their growth the ducklings have attained about as large a weight as they will ever reach. Compared with edible meat, a large percentage of this weight is fat and, according to the standard of the producer, they are all the more valuable for that reason. Old ducks are marketed only from the west and south, and duck specialists seldom try to raise anything but the younger birds. While Pekin ducks are much easier to handle in large numbers and in limited quarters than chickens, they grow much more rapidly and are compared with fowls from day one. The ducks who succeed in it, duck-growers, are probably the most profitable line of poultry culture.

FALL CULTIVATION OF ORCHARD.

Care Must Be Taken Lest It Prove Injurious to Trees.

Fall cultivation of orchards is sometimes injurious and sometimes not. The effects depend on several conditions. Fall cultivation in orchards has been objected to, because it is reported to start a fall growth of wood that does not have time to harden before the time of the final stoppage of growth. That leaves a lot of soft wood to go into winter in a shape unfitted to stand the cold.

It is only the cultivation of early fall that injures trees in this way, says Farmers' Review. After the leaves get old and get ready to fall, cultivation cannot start a new growth. This effect can only take place if the cultivation is early enough to furnish an abundant food supply at the time the leaves are very active in elaborating food for the development of wood.

We do not believe that fall cultivation is desirable in most of our northern latitudes, even when the cultivation is given so late that it cannot possibly start a new growth of wood. The cultivation stirs up the soil and permits the frost to go deeper than it otherwise would. If the winter chance to be a cold one, with little snow, frost will strike so deep that the roots will be frozen, and this may result in the destruction of the trees. The harder and firmer the ground, the less is the depth that the frost will be able to penetrate.

SAVING ORCHARDS FROM SCALE.

Old Orchards Can Be Preserved from Attack of Pest.

Investigations carried on at the New York experiment station at Geneva convince the authorities that old orchards can be preserved from attacks of the San Jose scale. In bulletin 295 the investigators assert: Of the various sprays that have been tested, the sulphur wash and the home-made oil emulsions have, on the basis of efficiency, economy and safety to the trees, proven the most satisfactory remedies. Of the two, the oil emulsions have generally been somewhat more efficient than the sulphur wash in the treatment of old apple trees, and excellent results have been obtained with a light treatment of the emulsion on trees previously sprayed with the lime-sulphur wash, to reach the scales or the young wood. Either of these sprays singly or the emulsion supplementing an application of the sulphur wash, if thoroughly applied, can be depended on to control the scale.

A HANDY FRUIT LADDER.

Made by Splitting a Basswood Pole and Putting in Rungs.

Here is a fruit ladder that is more convenient than the ordinary style. A round stick of basswood about 20 feet long is sawed in two to within one foot of the small end, where an iron ring, or a is welded on to prevent splitting. Holes are bored and the rungs put in, spreading the pole apart. They may be inserted on the side and nailed solid. Leave a foot of the small end of pole not sawed, explains Farm and Home, and thus the ladder may be put in any position in a tree without the top end becoming entangled in the limbs and twigs.

BORDEAUX MIXTURE AS A DUST.

Has Not Given as Good Results as the Liquid Spray.

The application of Bordeaux mixture in the form of dust or powder in an experiment conducted at the Kentucky experiment station by H. Garman has not proven itself particularly useful. In bulletin 133 Mr. Garman says: "Bordeaux dust has been recommended, and several manufacturers have offered for sale. Tested side by side with liquid Bordeaux mixture, they have failed to give as good results, and in some hands have failed absolutely. The results recorded showing that the benefit obtained was not sufficient to justify the expense for materials and labor. The cost for the two is nearly the same—about two cents per tree for a single application—some workers claiming a slight advantage in cost in favor of the liquid spray. In Oregon recently a large number of trees dusted for scab gave only 15 per cent. clean-skinned fruit, while trees sprayed with liquid Bordeaux gave 25 per cent. Unsprayed trees gave six per cent."

Pruning Trees.

The right time to commence the pruning of a tree and the making of an orchard is when it is young. When the tree is young the direct or indirect can train them into almost any shape he desires. He must keep his ideal ever in his mind and work toward that end. There are many horticulturists who claim that the young tree with many strong limbs is the better tree when placed alongside of a forked sapling with only about two main stems. The apples should have a central stem and should be pruned so as to keep the tree open at all times. There are on the other hand many growers who aim to destroy the central stem effect, leaving the top entirely open. Either form of tree is all right, but the average orchardist is often a hobbyist and works towards what he thinks to be the best, despite customs or recommendations.

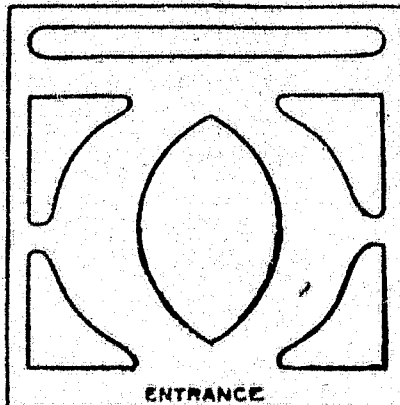
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PLAN FOR ROSE GARDEN.

A Suggestion for the Women Folks for Next Season.

The simple design shown in our illustration is the suggested plan for a rose garden 50 feet square. It contains one large oval bed in the center, four beds of triangular outline, and one long, narrow border at the rear of the plot. The large oval in the center should be devoted to Hybrid Remontant, or June roses, and of these the following varieties are all excellent: Anna de Diebach, dark pink; Frau Karl Druschki, one of the very finest whites; Gen. Jacqueminot, well known to almost everyone; Magna Charta, Mrs. John Laing, both good pinkers; Paul Neyron, one of the largest roses; Ulrich Brunner and Fisher Holmes, light and dark reds. This list may be greatly increased as desired. In the triangular beds it would be well to



Plan of the Rose Garden.

plant largely of the Hybrid Tea class, and also those known as ever-blooming roses. Of the Hybrid Teas the following are all fine: Killarney, Captain Christy, Caroline Testout, Grus and Toplit, Kaiserin Augusta Victoria, La France and Souvenir du President Carnot. The ever-blooming roses include a large number of varieties, from which it is difficult to select a brief list, but the following are good: Etiole de Lyon, Marie Van Houite, Maman Cochet, Frank Doegen, Papa Gontier, Hermosa, Clothilde Souper and Souvenir de la Malmaison. At the back of the long bed, suggests the Rural New Yorker, at the rear of the garden, a wire trellis could be placed, and on this some roses of the Rambler type could be trained, some of the best of this type being Philadelphia, Rambler, Ruby Queen, Dorothy Perkins and Lady Gay. In front of the Ramblers the Hybrid China rose, Madame Planter, and also some of the lovely Moss roses, could find a place. This list could be extended almost indefinitely, but all varieties do not grow with the same freedom, and the few mentioned may be considered among the standard sorts. The number of plants to be used in such a garden would be from 500 to 750, according to the dimensions of the beds and the closeness with which they were planted. If the surroundings permit it, the fences or boundaries of the rose garden could be covered with the various Rambler roses, and the long bed used for other varieties.

THE ORCHARD.

Orchardists should pay more attention to their blackcap raspberry crops. This berry is growing very scarce of late, probably from neglect. Such a plantation will steadily increase in value.

Every apple grower should be prepared for extensive spraying in 1909. Burn all trash around the orchard. The scab has been unusually prevalent throughout the country and the spores and seeds will have to be burned in 1909.

The apple growers of Oregon and Washington often ship their product several thousand miles and apparently make good profits. In view of this fact it is astonishing why the average west coast farmer cannot make his orchard pay. Perhaps it is the thought and care put into each package of fruit that tells the tale.

It is generally the case where orchards have been left to go to seed the seeds will soon sprout up freely on that ground. Very often they come up in a manner and so thick that they are a weed pest and may be killed by stirring the ground with cultivator, wheel hoe or common hand hoe. When orchards thus come from seed in the field they are generally worse directly over the old trees and are a serious menace to the production of the best orchards especially when the Welsh onions are the crop.

Stock for Young Orchards.

George R. Murray of Holt county, Mo., believes well selected stock is of the utmost importance in setting out an apple orchard. He says: "If I were now contemplating setting out an apple orchard, I would either grow my own trees from such seedlings as I would want from certain trees—(which I would mark during the growing season, for their individual merits, on the scores of vigor and fecundity); or I would contract with some good, reliable nurseryman to grow the trees for me, under my direction, from such seedlings as I would furnish, and selected as above stated. I would plant such trees at a cost of \$1.50 or even \$2.00 per thousand, in preference to the best grade grown in the regular way, even though they were offered to me at a 50%."

DIGNIFIED IN NAME

HAVE BEEN THE MISTRESSSES OF THE WHITE HOUSE.

But One Woman Has Had High Honor of Being the Wife of One and the Mother of Another President.

Fame is fleeting enough in the case of men, but when it comes to women the goddess is twice as fickle. Almost any public school pupil more than ten years old can repeat the names of the presidents of the United States, but how many know the presidents' wives? Doubtless 90 per cent. of the adult population is unable to name a single one more than a half dozen women whose husbands occupied the White House.

Everybody knows Martha Washington was Mrs. Custer when she was married to the Father of His Country, but how many remember her maiden name was Dandridge? There are dozens of families throughout the country which, if heraldry obtain its America, would be entitled to emblazon the nation's shield on their coat-of-arms by reason of having been connected with presidents through their ancestors. They represent the names of Dandridge, Custis, Smith, Wayles, Skelton, Payne, Todd, Kortwright, Johnson, Donelson, Robards, Hoes, Symmes, Christian, Gardner, Childress, Powers, Carmichael, McIntosh, Appleton, McCord, Dent, Webb, Rudolph, Herndon, Polson, Scott, Lord, Demick, Saxon, Lee and Carow.

And those are only names of presidents' wives. The mothers of the presidents, beginning with Washington's, originally bore the surnames Hall, Boylston, Randolph, Conway, Jones, Smith, Hutchinson, Hoes, Bassett, Armstrong, Knox, Stroller, Millard, Kendrick, Spear, Hanks, McDonough, Simpson, Birchard, Ballou, Stone, Neal, Irwin, Allison and Bullock.

Only one woman had the honor of being both the wife and the mother of presidents. She was Abigail Smith, who was married to John Adams, the second president, and whose son, John Quincy Adams, became the sixth president. Another woman, Elizabeth Bassett, was wife and grand-mother of presidents. Her husband was William Henry Harrison, ninth occupant of the White House, her grandson, Benjamin Harrison, the twenty-third in line.

That all the presidents have been dignified men from their early years is shown by the Christian names of their helpmates. Among the wives of the presidents there never has been a Florence, a Babetta, a Tawnee, a Kitty, nor even a Gwendolyn, Hortense or Mabel. The only woman whose given name approached frivolously was Dolly Madison, and she no doubt was christened Dorothy or Dorothea, unless a mistake was made at the baptismal font. There were two Marthas and as many Abigail, Carolines, Marys, Elisas and Julias.

The other presidents' wives have been, respectively, Dolley, Louisa, Rachel, Hannah, Anna, Letitia, Sarah, Margaret, Jane, Lucy, Lucretia, Ellen, Frances, Ida, Alice and Edith. Equally plain were the names of the presidents' mothers. There have been two each of Jane, Eliza, Anna and Nancy; three Marys and four Elizabeths. The other mothers of the presidents divide the names Susanna, Nelly, Abigail, Maria, Sarah, Phoebe, Harriet, Sophia, Malvina and Martha. The wife of the first president and the mother of the latest were named Martha. It is hard to conceive of any of these women being addressed by undignified diminutives.

As to breeding. Why should a person sneeze? Why does almost every one believe that to sneeze is to catch cold? Sneezing is an explosive expulsion of air through the nasal passages and mouth; but what causes it and what are its results? It increases the circulation. It clears the head. When you sneeze always hold your head straight in front. Don't twist it to the left or right. Never sneeze over your shoulder. You are liable to start a blood vessel.

Some say that sitting in a draft will cause sneezing. In former days it was a very polite custom to take snuff to encourage a sneeze. Men and their bearded snuff boxes and carried their handkerchiefs in their cuffs. No doubt a sneeze was originally designed to expel irritating materials from the upper air passages. In the act a powerful expiratory effort is made, the vocal cords are kept shut till the pressure in the chest has risen high, and air is then suddenly allowed to escape upward, being directed into the back of the nose by the soft palate.

A Boston Touch.

Once upon a time Dan Wolf Hopper met a Boston person in that town whom he had not seen for a long period of duration. "Hello; how are you? Where have you been?" said Hopper in his hearty way, giving the New York pronunciation to the word "been." "Please don't say 'his,' but 'been,'" pleaded the Boston person placidly. "Sorry, but I can't," pleaded the big fellow. "I never had a bean in my mouth in my life, not even in Boston."—Bohemian Magazine.

Not Open to Hint.

—Did you see here this shocking account of how a woman committed suicide because she was not a good housekeeper? —No—don't bother yourself I am not at all susceptible to suggestion.

ROAD AND FARM IMPROVEMENT

GUARD AGAINST FALLING TONGUE.

Good Way to Prevent a Frequent Cause of Trouble.

To prevent the wagon tongue that is not bolted to the neck yoke from falling down when the tugs come unattached or the doubletrees or single-trees break causing runaways or other trouble, simply drill holes through the end of the tongue from and bore out the wood. Have a narrow piece of iron one-half inch thick made to fit on the lower side of the tongue with holes to correspond with the holes in the tongue irons.

The front end of the iron should be



Guard for Neck Yoke.

tapering, while the end in front of the neck yoke should have a shoulder one inch long so the neck yoke ring can pass under in case of the tugs becoming unfastened.

This safety iron will catch the ring every time, yet the neck yoke can be put on or taken off over it in ordinary cases where rings are of the usual size. We consider this a better arrangement, says the Prairie Farmer, than springs or a loose bolt through the tongue that will get bent and make trouble.

ROADS ON HILLS.

How They May Be Protected from Gullying.

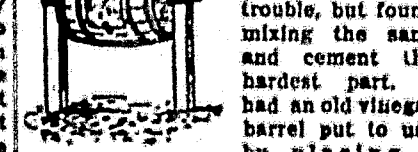
Where the road is built on a steep grade some provision should be made to prevent the washing of the gutters into deep gullies. This can be done by paving the bottoms and sides of the gutters with brick or field stones. In order to make the flow as often as possible in side ditches it is often advisable to construct frequent outlets into the adjacent fields or streams, or, if possible, to lay underground pipes or blind drains with screened openings into side ditches at frequent intervals. The size of side ditches should depend upon the amount of water they are expected to carry. If possible they should be located at least three feet from the edge of the traveled roadway.

All side ditches should have a gradual fall of at least half a foot in every 100 feet. Their sides, particularly those sloping toward the roadway, should be broad and flaring, so as to prevent accidents as well as the caving in of their banks. Their bottoms should be wide enough to carry the largest amount of water that is likely to flow through them at any one time. Sometimes the only ditch necessary to carry off the surface water are those made with the road machine. The blade of the machine may be set at any desired angle, and when drawn along by horses or by a traction engine cuts into the surface and spreads the earth uniformly over the traveled way.—Bulletin Department of Agriculture.

MAKING CEMENT BRICK.

Farmer Who Has Made Them Tells of His Methods.

I bought two second-hand brick molds and used them to mold cement bricks. They worked well and I experienced no trouble, but found mixing the sand and cement the hardest part. I had an old vinegar barrel put to use by placing a



grindstone crank on one end and a piston on the other. Two strong posts were set in the ground and the barrel hung over two pieces of round iron driven into the posts, says Farm and Home. A square hole was cut on side of barrel and covered with a piece of sheet iron hinged and a button to fasten.

The sand and cement were dampened, shoveled into the barrel and a bar turned the crank. The mixing was done as fast as two men could mold, with a boy to sprinkle the brick to prevent drying too fast. Enough brick were made in two days to build a shed 15x16 feet. The cost was not half that of lumber. The bricklayer who laid the brick said they were the best he ever laid.

Treat Smutty Seed Wheat.

If it is necessary to sow seed wheat from a crop which has been attacked by smutting, the seed should first be treated with formalin. One pint of formalin in 40 gallons water will treat 50 bushels of wheat. Spread it out on a clean, light floor previously sterilized with the formalin solution. Sprinkle thoroughly until every kernel is wet. Sprinkling should be repeated until at least three quarts of solution per bushel of grain have been absorbed. Cover the pile with cloth or canvas for two hours, then shovel the grain over at intervals to dry it and sow at once. All bags and shovels used in handling the grain must be carefully disinfected.

Imaginative Irish.

The quality which distinguishes ourselves (the Irish) from our English brethren is the divine possession of imagination.—Dublin Irish Homecoming.

SAVE THE POTATO WATER.

Much of Most Nutritious Part of Vegetable Is in It.

The water in which pared potatoes have been boiled should never be wasted, as it contains much of the most nutritious part of the potato, but it is usually thrown away, except when used for bread. To make a delicious, wholesome gravy, strain the milk is scarce left out the potatoes carefully with a fork, setting the skin in the oven to dry the potatoes and keep them warm. Thicken the potato water with flour and season with salt and butter. For a savory, nourishing soup, mash a few potatoes and put them back into the water in which they were boiled, season with onion, celery salt, or the water in which celery tops have been boiled, and add cream or milk and butter. This is one of the most palatable and economical soups that can be made. If the soup is not wanted immediately the potato water can be saved for the next day or until the next day, or the soup can be made at once, as it is equally good warmed up for a later meal.

Baked Oysters.

For every 25 oysters take two table-spoonfuls of cream, the yolks of two eggs, one table-spoonful of butter, one table-spoonful of flour, one teaspoonful of chopped parsley, one teaspoonful of salt and red pepper to taste. Drain the oysters. Strain the liquor. Put the liquor to the fire, add the butter and flour rubbed together and smooth, and stir until it thickens. Beat the yolks of the eggs light, add the cream, and add to the liquor with chopped oysters. Strain the fire for a minute only. Season and fill the greased shells with the mixture. Either oyster, ordinary or top or silver shells may be used. Cover the top with fine bread crumbs, and brown in a quick oven.

Potato Chocolate Cake.

Do not be afraid to try this cake, because it sounds queer. It is delicious and will keep indefinitely. Two-thirds of a cup of butter, two cups of granulated sugar, one cup of mashed potatoes, hot, one-half cup of sweet milk, two cups of flour, four eggs, two spoons baking powder, heaping, one-half cake of unsweetened chocolate, one-half teaspoon each of cloves, cinnamon, one cup of chopped walnuts. Mix sugar and butter with cream. Add eggs and milk, then potato mashed smooth and hot; add chocolate which has been allowed to dissolve over the teakettle. Add baking powder, spice and nuts. Bake in a moderate oven.

Bran Muffins.

For the most substantial side of the table a new biscuit is the muffin which is a nonfatening, very delectable edible that must be eaten slowly and masticated thoroughly. To make these muffins take one cup of fine bran, one cup of one and one-half cup of sour milk, one-quarter of a cup of butter, one table-spoonful of molasses and dry spoonful of soda. Mix the dry ingredients and then add the molasses mixed with the sour milk (warmed and beat vigorously). Bake thoroughly in small tin rings in a slow oven. Serve hot, buttering them first bringing them to the table.

Time Savers in the Kitchen.

If you will bend the point of a paring knife you will find it easier to remove eyes from potatoes, pineapples, etc.

If the handle of the spoon used in basting meats and fowls be bent to the bowl of the spoon it will "up" easily. Run stale pieces of bread through food chopper to clean it after frying meat, raisins, etc.

Economical Doughnuts.

Beat an egg very light with one cup of sugar, add a cup of milk, stirring this in, then put in quickly a grated nutmeg, a half teaspoonful of salt, and three teaspoonfuls of baking powder sifted with enough flour to make a dough that can be rolled out. Roll in deep fat to which a little salt has been added. This last caution will keep the doughnuts from absorbing the grease.

Salted Peanuts.

Shell and take the skin from the roasted peanuts. In a baking pan melt butter, stir the peanuts in until well coated, then roast, stirring often, until light brown. Drain pan to the door of the oven for a few minutes, then turn the nuts to a colander and shake hard to get the superfluous salt. Spread on a platter to get dry and crisp.

Make Your Oles.

Melt one pound of beef tallow through a sieve. Mix with a pound of good butter and put in a stove again to melt together. Put in a bowl. For frying beefsteak, pork in fact, anything. Reaches ready for an one pound of butter and a hard beat a mile.

Try Cake with Toothpaste.

In a convenient spot in the kitchen keep a box of new wood shavings for use in testing toothpaste cakes when baking. The old rule using a broom straw is, to say the least, unsanitary.

To Keep the Iron Handle Cool.

In making iron holders stir a piece of asbestos between the handle and the filling. This will absorb the heat and prevent burning through the handle and the holder will last twice as long.—Delineator.

To Clean Aluminum Ware.

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